

Rolex Middle Sea Race 50th Anniversary

Notice of Race

39TH EDITION - Saturday 20th October 2018



ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB





WELCOME TO THE ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE 2018



The 39th edition of the Rolex Middle Sea Race will start on the 20th October and it will be the 50th anniversary of the first Middle Sea Race.

It was in 1968 that a group of keen offshore sailors from the Royal Malta Yacht Club thought of holding a 600 nautical mile offshore race starting and finishing in Malta. They came up with an incredibly interesting and challenging course that circumnavigates Sicily and many of the islands around it using an active volcano as the top mark. The course remains essentially the same to this day except that in the early days the race ran in a clockwise direction but was subsequently changed to the anti-clockwise direction used till this day.

The race was not held for some years after 1983 but it was re-instated in 1996 which makes 2018 the 39th edition of the race. The race is now held every year and has it become one of the most popular races in its category. The RMYC gratefully acknowledges the legacy of those that started it and contributed to its growth and development over the years. It is a heritage we are proud to uphold.

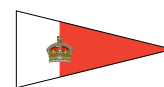
The Royal Malta Yacht Club will be commemorating this special year with a particularly entertaining schedule of activities being held around the event for the occasion.

The typically varied fleet is expected to attend in larger numbers for this year's race making the start in Grand Harbour more spectacular than ever. This will surely be a memorable year and one not to be missed.

On behalf of the Royal Malta Yacht Club I look forward to welcoming you all in October to celebrate this anniversary year with us.

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank ROLEX for their continued support.

Godwin Zammit
Commodore



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2018 is the 50th anniversary of the first Middle Sea Race held in 1968.

The Rolex Middle Sea Race is organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club under the auspices of the Maltese and Italian Sailing Federations, and will start on the 20th October 2018. The Race is held in association with the Royal Ocean Racing Club and is included with the races of the RORC Season's Points Championship. It will also be the first event that is part of the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2019.

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The Organising Authority referred to in this Notice of Race is the Royal Malta Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The Rolex Middle Sea Race will be governed by the following rules:
 - 1.2.1 The Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 issued by World Sailing (WS).
 - 1.2.2 The WS Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2018-2019 for Category 2 Races.
 - 1.2.3 IRC Rule 2018, parts A, B and C.
 - 1.2.4 ORC Rating Systems Rules for ORC International and ORC Club and the International Measurement System (IMS) 2018.
 - 1.2.5 The rules and regulations for any one design class for which there is an eligible boat entered in the race.
 - 1.2.6 MOCRA Rating Rule 2018.
 - 1.2.7 This Notice of Race (NoR).
 - 1.2.8 The Sailing Instructions (SI) issued by the Organising Authority and any amendments thereto.
 - 1.2.9 Between the official times for sunset and sunrise, the right of way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall replace Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
 - 1.2.10 In the event of conflict between the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. The Sailing Instructions may invoke rule changes as allowed for in RRS Rule 86.
- 1.3 Sailing Instructions issued by the Organising Authority will be made available at the Race Office to paid up and confirmed entries by Monday 15th October 2018.
- 1.4 The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race until not later than 31st August 2018. These changes will be sent to Entrants whose entries have already been accepted and posted on the Event Website: www.rolexmiddlesearace.com.
- 1.5 The Organising Authority will appoint an International Jury as per RRS Appendix N. The decisions of the International Jury will be final as allowed for in RRS Rule 70.5.
- 1.6 By making an application for entry in the race, the Entrant of a boat acknowledges that the various terms of this Notice of Race including any amendments thereto, as well as all the rules and regulations referred to in paragraph 1 of this Notice of Race and in the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone", and to WS Offshore Special Regulation 1.02.1 which states "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge...".
- 1.7 Prior to the Rolex Middle Sea Race itself, there will be an inshore coastal race scored under IRC.

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2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1** The Rolex Middle Sea Race is open to offshore boats that fully satisfy the requirements of the WS Offshore Special Regulations 2018-2019 for Category 2 races.
- 2.2** Boats shall be built to a standard that complies with the requirements of Section 3 of the WS Offshore Special Regulations 2018-2019.
- 2.3** Boats must satisfy the stability requirements of Section 3 of the WS Offshore Special Regulations.
- 2.4** Where it is not possible for a yacht to demonstrate compliance with ISO 12217-2 Design Category A and the corresponding STIX and AVS requirements, a boat will be considered eligible if it has an SSS base value of at least 28 as stated on its IRC rating certificate or a Stability Index of at least 110 as stated on its ORC certificate. Boats participating in more than one Category need only satisfy one of these criteria.
- 2.5** Boats shall have a hull length of not less than 9 metres. A boat's hull length shall be taken as defined by IRC and ORC Rules and stated in its rating certificate.
- 2.6** The Entrant, Owner or Charterer of a participating boat shall hold current adequate marine legal liability insurance cover with respect to the boat, valid when racing and will ensure that all crewmembers are aware of the importance of effecting appropriate personal insurance.
- 2.7** The Entrant and Person in Charge of each participating boat shall be a member of a yacht club affiliated with its National Authority.
- 2.8** All crew members shall meet the requirements of WS Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code with only the Person in Charge being required to comply with 19.6. All crew members shall be at least 14 years of age by the 30th September 2018. Any crewmember still under the age of 18 by the day before the start of the race shall supply the written consent of a parent or legal guardian, which consent shall be attached to the crew list submitted on registration before the race.
- 2.9** The Person in Charge of each participating boat shall ensure that there is adequate knowledge and experience among his crew to take part in a Category 2 offshore race. The Person in Charge and at least half the members of the crew shall have previously taken part in an offshore race of extended duration. At least 30%, but not less than two members of the crew including the Person in Charge shall have undergone training in survival at sea as required by OSR 6.01. Any training course covering the topics included in the WS Approved Offshore Personal Survival Training Course given by suitably qualified and experienced instructors will be considered as satisfying this requirement. As required by OSR 6.05 at least one crew member should be familiar with the management of medical emergencies that may occur at sea and hold a qualification in First Aid or be a practicing medical practitioner. The minimum number of persons on a boat shall be two in the double handed class.
- 2.10** Boats must have a current and valid rating certificate for the rating Categories they enter for and must comply in all respects with that rating certificate.



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3 CATEGORIES AND CLASSES

- 3.1** IRC Category - Boats having a current and valid IRC rating certificate may enter in the IRC Category. This Category will be divided into classes as follows:
- IRC Class 1 - TCC greater than 1.400
 - IRC Class 2 – TCC from 1.276 to 1.400
 - IRC Class 3 – TCC from 1.176 to 1.275
 - IRC Class 4 – TCC from 1.101 to 1.175
 - IRC Class 5 – TCC from 1.051 to 1.100
 - IRC Class 6 – TCC less than 1.051
- 3.2** ORC Category - Boats having a current and valid ORC International or ORC Club rating certificate may enter the ORC Category. This Category will be divided into classes as follows:
- ORC Class 1 – GPH less than 450.1
 - ORC Class 2 – GPH from 505.0 to 450.1
 - ORC Class 3 – GPH from 545.0 to 505.1
 - ORC Class 4 – GPH from 575.0 to 545.1
 - ORC Class 5 – GPH from 600.0 to 575.1
 - ORC Class 6 – GPH greater than 600
- 3.3** Other Classes - Subject to the participation of a sufficient number of entries, the following additional classes may be established:
- 3.3.1** Double Handed Class for boats sailed by two people only, within the IRC Category. The Person in Charge of an entry in this class shall ensure that he and his crew have adequate knowledge and experience to sail a Category 2 race double handed and that the boat is suitably set up for double handed racing. For this class both persons shall have undergone training in survival at sea as required by OSR 6.01.
- 3.3.2** Offshore One Design Classes for boats complying with one design rules for their class.
- 3.4** **Multihull Category** - Multihulls having a current and valid MOCRA rating certificate may enter the Multihull Category.
- 3.5** **Supermaxi Class** – Monohulls whose hull length exceeds 30.5m may be scored in a separate Supermaxi Class.
- 3.6** The formation of any of the above categories or classes is at the discretion of the Organising Authority and subject to a minimum of four entries. However, should there be less than four entries in a particular class, the Organising Authority reserves the right to include these entries within another class or, at the discretion of the Organising Authority, a class may be formed with less than four entries. Prospective participants in particular classes are encouraged to promote their class by arranging group entries to ensure the minimum number required. The Organising Authority reserves the right to accept entries or classes that are not listed above.
- 3.7** Should the rating bands for the division of the IRC and ORC Categories into classes given in 3.1 and 3.2 prove to be manifestly unsuitable to the composition of the fleet of entries, the Organising Authority reserves the right to adjust these bands as it deems appropriate.
- 3.8** Monohulls may enter in more than one Category.
- 3.9** The Coastal Race shall only have an IRC Category for boats whose hull length is not less than 9 metres and not greater than 30.5 metres.



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4 COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 4.1** The Person in Charge shall be required to sign a declaration that they are in full compliance with the requirements of the WS Offshore Special Regulations 2018-2019 for Category 2 races including the training requirements of OSR 6. A checklist will be provided by the Organising Authority to assist Persons in Charge in complying with these regulations.
- 4.2** The Person in Charge should ensure that their boat is in full compliance with its rating certificate and class rules as applicable.
- 4.3** Boats may be inspected before the race for compliance with the requirements of safety as well as measurement and rating. For this purpose, boats are to be made available for Scrutineering at the boat's assigned berth during the period from Monday 15th October to Friday 19th October 2018. It is mandatory that the Person in Charge or his authorised representative be present at the time of inspection. Further inspections may be carried out to any boat after the race.

5 TRACKING SYSTEM

An electronic tracking system may be used to track the position of participating boats during the race and participants will be required to allow the installation of tracking beacons on their boats. The Organising Authority may use the information received from the system for media coverage of the race as well as for technical and safety purposes. Participants shall be responsible for the

beacon while on board and shall return it to the Race Office after the race. On registration, participants will be required to give a credit card number from which account the Organising Authority may charge the sum of €900 if the beacon is not returned.

6 APPLICATION FOR ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 6.1** An application for entry should be made by using the on line entry form posted on the Event Website www.rolexmiddlesearace.com. Prospective competitors are urged to make their application for entry early and should submit with their application the following documentation:
- 6.1.1** Copies of Measurement and Rating Certificates for rating Categories entered.
- 6.1.2** Verification of compliance with the hull construction and stability requirements of WS Offshore Special Regulations (2018-2019) 3.03 and 3.04 or 3.05 for category 2 races.
- 6.1.3** Colour photograph, preferably digital, of boat under sail.
- 6.2** Following the submission of the documentation required in 6.1, the Organising Authority will notify the entrant of his acceptance and the entry must then be confirmed by not later than the 5th October 2018 by the payment of the applicable entry fees and submitting the following additional documentation:
- 6.2.1** Updated copies of Measurement and Rating Certificates for rating Categories entered if amended after the issue of the certificate submitted with the application for entry.



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- 6.2.2** Certificate of insurance in English with details of the cover and the insurer.
- 6.2.3** EPIRB number, Call Sign and MMSI number where available.
- 6.3** On arrival in Malta for the race the Person in Charge must complete the registration process at the Race Office which includes the submission of a crew list with next of kin details in the form supplied by the Organising Authority. The Person in Charge and all the crew will also be required to sign a Disclaimer of Liability and a Media Release and Image Rights Waiver, as supplied by the Organising Authority. A copy of all race documents, schedule of events and other information will be provided by the Organising Authority on registration.
- 6.4** At the discretion of the Organising Authority, an entry may be accepted after the 5th October and shall be required to pay the specified late entry fee. No further entries will be accepted after the 12th October. A boat that has entered in time for one rating Category, may at the discretion of the Organising Authority, be accepted to enter an additional Category after the 5th October and may be required to pay 25% of the specified late entry fee
- 6.5** No applications for changes to rating certificates shall be allowed after the 12th October except to correct a genuine error, to make corrections as a result of a rating protest before the start of the race, or in the case of ORC certificates to correct crew weight before the start of the race. A boat that has been accepted to enter a second rating Category as a late entry and does not have a rating certificate for that HH`H Category, may apply for a rating certificate for the second Category up to the 12th October.
- 6.6** An Entry may be cancelled by advising the Organising Authority. Cancellations made before the 5th October will be eligible for a full refund of the race entry fee. Cancellations made after this date will be eligible for a refund of 50% of the race entry fee. No refund will be given if an Entrant fails to notify the Organising Authority of cancellation by the 19th October 2018.
- 6.7** The Entrant is the person considered responsible for the entry and shall be the person to appear in connection with the entry, together with the boat name, on any documentation pertaining to the event, including the results.
- 6.8** The nationality of the entry shall be that country of which the Entrant is a citizen and shall be declared when making the entry.
- 6.9** The submission of documents requested by the Organising Authority does not exonerate the Entrant from any of his responsibilities and receipt by the Organising Authority shall not imply verification of the validity or adequacy of the documents submitted to it.



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7 FEES

The following fees shall be paid on confirmation of entry following acceptance of the application for entry. Entrants who have been full members of the Royal Malta Yacht Club for at least two years are eligible for a rebate of 25% on these fees up to a maximum discount of €300.

Hull Lt.	Base Entry Fee
9.00 – 14.00m	€700
14.01 – 19.00m	€950
19.01 - 24.00m	€1275
24.01 - 30.50m	€1700
30.51 – 40.00m	€2250
> 40m	€60/m
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Additional rating Category Fee	€100
Additional OOD Class fee	€100
Additional fee for late entry	€250

The entry fees listed may be paid by SWIFT Transfer, cheque, bank draft or credit card as follows:

Cheques payable to the Royal Malta Yacht Club

Bank transfers to :

HSBC Bank Malta plc
196, The Strand, Gzira.
Tel: +356 21335499, +356 23802380; Fax: +356 21340788

Acc: Name: Royal Malta Yacht Club
Acc: No.: 039 0361 73001
IBAN No. : MT 24 MMEB 4439 2000 0000 3903 6173 001
Swift Code : MMEBMTMT

Credit Card: VISA, & MASTERCARD accepted.
Payment to be authorized in writing quoting card number, name on card, expiry date and ccv number.

Confirm your entry by effecting payment and sending required documents by mail, e-mail to:

Royal Malta Yacht Club
Ta' Xbiex Seafront, Ta' Xbiex XBX1028, Malta.
Tel: +356 21333109 email: info@rmyc.org
www.rmyc.org www.rolexmiddlesearace.com

Please include the Boat Name on all cheques, bank transfers and correspondence.



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8 SCHEDULE OF EVENT

MONDAY 15TH TO THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER

Registration
(09:00 – 13:00 & 14:00 – 18:00)

MONDAY 15TH TO FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER

Scrutineering
(By arrangement with Safety Inspectors)

WEDNESDAY 17TH OCTOBER

Coastal Race (IRC only)
(10:00 start)
Owners' Reception
(19:30)

THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER

Crew Party
(20:00)

FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER

Briefing and reception
(18:00)

SATURDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Start Rolex Middle Sea Race
(11:00)

SATURDAY 27TH OCTOBER

Rolex Middle Sea Race Prize giving ceremony
(12:00)

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Coastal Race - Coastal or inshore race around the Maltese Islands.
- 9.2 Rolex Middle Sea Race - Starting from Malta, boats will sail a course leaving to port the Island of Sicily, the Aeolian Islands (including Strombolicchio), the Egadi Islands (except Marettimo Island), Pantelleria and Lampedusa Islands, through the South Comino Channel, keeping Malta to starboard, to the finish in Malta. The Islands of Ustica, Linosa and Lampione are not marks of the course. The length of the course is approximately 606 nautical miles. The Course Record, established by "RAMBLER" in 2007, is 47hrs 55mins 03 secs.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The IRC Category shall be scored on corrected time by TCC.
- 10.2 The ORC Category shall be scored on corrected time using Time on Time for Offshore courses.
- 10.3 The Multihull Category shall be scored on corrected time using the MOCRA TCF.
- 10.4 The Supermaxi Class will be scored on corrected time using their IRC TCC.





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11 CHANGES TO RULES

- 11.1** The use of an autopilot and power winches is permitted. This changes RRS Rule 52.
- 11.2** In the IRC Category, Rule 11.2 applies and a boat may carry one more spinnaker than the number stated in its IRC certificate. This does not apply to the coastal race.
- 11.3** In the ORC Category, there shall be no limit on the number of rated headsails and spinnakers that may be carried in the race. However, boats participating in both rating Categories shall be limited to the sails they are allowed in the IRC Category.
- 11.4** A boat may carry one spare mainsail which may only be used while racing as a genuine replacement if during the race the mainsail the boat started the race with becomes damaged beyond repair and not for the purpose of improved performance. The first mainsail may not thereafter be repaired and re-used while racing. In the case that the spare mainsail is used the substitution shall be declared in the Race Declaration describing the circumstances and giving the reasons for its use. The Person in Charge may be required to produce the damaged mainsail for inspection by the Race Committee. This does not apply to the coastal race.
- 11.5** In the IRC Category there shall be no limit on crew weight. Boats taking part in both ORC and IRC Categories shall remain limited to the crew weight stated on their ORC certificate. This changes IRC rule 22.4.2.”
- 11.6** Valid rating certificates shall be produced by the due dates specified in this Notice of Race. This changes RRS Rule 78.2.

12 TIME LIMIT

The Time Limit for all boats will be Saturday 27th October at 08.00hrs. No further finishers will be recorded after this time. This changes RRS 35.

13 COMMUNICATIONS

A boat may receive help from an outside source in the form of information which is freely available to all boats, which shall include navigational, weather, tide or current information from any source which is available to all boats whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription, but shall not include any information gathered or the subject of interpretation by, or any advice received from, any source not on board the boat and which is specific to the boat and her situation. This changes RRS Rule 41.c

14 BRIEFING

- 14.1** Weather Briefing - A Weather Briefing will be held for competitors on the evening of Friday 19th October at 18:00.
- 14.2** Race Briefing - A Race Briefing will be held immediately after the Weather Briefing.
- 14.3** Attendance - Two crew members of a boat intending to compete in the Rolex Middle Sea Race should attend the whole of the Weather Briefing and the Race Briefing. It is strongly recommended that these briefings be attended by the Person in Charge and the Navigator.



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15 ADVERTISING

- 15.1 Boats taking part in any class in the event may display advertising as permitted by their class in accordance with WS Regulation 20 – Advertising Code.
- 15.2 Competitors will be required to display advertising for the event sponsor in accordance with WS Regulation 20.4.1. The Organising Authority requires all competitors to display bow decals and to hoist the sponsor's pennant for the duration of the race and, whilst in harbour for the period of free berthing, boats are to fly the event flag. The decals, the pennant and the flag will be provided by the Organising Authority.
- 16.2.2 It is also intended to award first, second and third prizes in each class where the number of entries is six or more boats and first and second prizes where there are only five or less boats in a class.
- 16.2.3 The Rolex Middle Sea Race Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on corrected time of the IRC Category.
- 16.2.4 The Boccale del Mediterraneo Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on corrected time of the ORC Category.
- 16.2.5 The RLR Trophy will be awarded to the first monohull boat to finish the race.

16 PRIZES

16.1 COASTAL RACE

- 16.1.1 For the Coastal Race, it is intended to award first, second and third prizes in each class where the number of entries is six or more boats and first and second prizes where there are only five or less boats in a class.
- 16.1.2 The Malta Rolex Cup will be presented to the overall winner on corrected time.

16.2 ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE

- 16.2.1 A Rolex Timepiece will be awarded to the first monohull boat to finish the race and to the overall winner on corrected time in the IRC Category.
- 16.2.6 The John Ripard Trophy will be awarded to the monohull boat that breaks the course record established in 2007 by 'Rambler'. The course record is 47hrs 55mins 03secs, over a distance of 606 miles. The course record will be decided by taking the highest average speed over the particular course sailed and the John Ripard Trophy will be awarded if this average speed is greater than 12.64 knots established in 2007.
- 16.2.7 The FIV Trophy will be awarded to the first Italian Boat on corrected time in the ORC Category.
- 16.2.8 The Malta Tourism Authority Trophy will be awarded to the first foreign boat to finish the race.
- 16.2.9 The Transport Malta Trophy will be awarded to the first boat to finish the race having a Maltese citizen as Person in Charge and the majority of crew being Maltese.





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16 PRIZES *continued*

16.2.10 The Arthur Podesta Trophy will be awarded to the first boat on corrected time in IRC Category having a Maltese citizen as Person in Charge and the majority of crew being Maltese.

16.2.11 The Teddy Borg Trophy will be awarded to the first boat on corrected time in the ORC Category having a Maltese citizen as Person in Charge and the majority of crew being Maltese.

16.2.12 The John Illingworth Trophy will be awarded to the first boat on corrected time in the Double Handed Class.

16.2.13 The Captain Morgan Trophy will be awarded to the first boat on corrected time in the Multihull Category.

16.2.14 The Italian Ambassador's Cup will be awarded to a boat that is deemed to have performed an outstanding act of seamanship or sportsmanship

16.2.15 The Swan Mediterranean Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the first Swan on corrected time in the IRC Category.

16.2.16 The Supermaxi Cup will be awarded to the winner on corrected time in the Supermaxi Class.

16.2.17 For the purposes of assigning the trophies listed in 16.2, other than the prizes being awarded for each class, each category will be considered as one class with overall results. The Royal Malta Yacht Club will retain possession of these main trophies and all winning Entrants will be awarded

a keepsake, which in the case of the Rolex Middle Sea Race Trophy will be a miniature of the trophy itself.

16.2.18 For the purpose of assigning the Malta Tourism Authority Trophy and the FIV trophy, the Nationality of a boat will be the nationality of the entry referred to in 6.8.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

As part of the registration process, each owner, each Person in Charge and each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting the following disclaimer of liability:

I agree to be bound by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017/2020, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. I agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE 2018, her rigging, the safety equipment on board and the competence, behaviour and dress of her crew is that of the Person in Charge of the yacht.

I also agree to take any and all responsibility for all damages whatsoever caused to third persons or their belongings, to myself or to my belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of my participation in the regatta, and hereby relieve from any responsibility, and agree to indemnify on a full indemnity basis and hold harmless, the Organising Authority, ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB, its servants, agents and sponsors (in particular but not limited to ROLEX SA and affiliated companies) and their representatives in respect of any claim arising therefrom.



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I am acquainted with RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: “A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing”.

In any case, I agree that the Organising Authority, ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB, its servants, agents and sponsors (in particular but not only ROLEX SA 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.

18 MEDIA RELEASE AND IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

As part of the registration process, each Entrant, each Person in Charge and each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting the following media release and waiver of rights:

Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB, ROLEX SA and affiliated companies the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information relating to ROLEX SA's involvement in sailing events, in particular the ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE (“the regatta”), and to the competitors and crew members’ participation in such events.

Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts also grant, at no cost, ROLEX SA and affiliated companies, the absolute right and permission to use their name, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in “The Rolex Magazine”, edited by ROLEX SA.

Competitors and crew members’ name, voice, image, likeness and biographical material shall not be used by ROLEX SA and affiliated companies in a way which constitutes an endorsement of ROLEX’ products by said Competitors and crewmembers, unless the relevant competitor or crew member is engaged by ROLEX SA or affiliated companies to endorse ROLEX’ products or gives his/her prior written consent to such use.

19 BERTHING

Berthing will be provided for participating boats at no additional cost by the Royal Malta Yacht Club at marinas in Marsamxett Harbour and Grand Harbour, at the Grand Hotel Excelsior, at the RMYC or at any other location as necessary from Sunday 14th October until Sunday 28th October 2018. Berths will be allocated to competing boats by the RMYC and owners are to contact the club for further information. The use of the berths opposite the RMYC is subject to weather conditions and boats may need to be relocated in adverse conditions. Owners of boats making use of these berths do so at their own risk and responsibility. For further information contact the RMYC on:

Royal Malta Yacht Club

Tel: (+356)21333109,

e-mail: info@rmyc.org

website: www.rolexmiddlesearace.com

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20 TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION

Information about travel and accommodation is available on the event website or from the Organising Authority. For accommodation at the Grand Hotel Excelsior where a limited number of boats will be berthed, enquiries may be made to the hotel at:

Grand Hotel Excelsior

Tel: (+356)2125 0520
e-mail: info@excelsior.com.mt
website: www.excelsior.com.mt

21 BOAT YARD SERVICES

Full facilities are available in Malta for hauling out, lifting and launching. For details, please contact the Organising Authority.

22 MEDIA

A Media Office will be provided at the Royal Malta Yacht Club. All visiting accredited media representatives will be welcome.

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

The Organising Authority
Rolex Middle Sea Race
Royal Malta Yacht Club
Ta' Xbiex Seafront,
Ta' Xbiex, XBX1028
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TIMELINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

	Last Date	Requirement	Documents to be submitted	Notice of Race Clause
Application for Entry	Open as of January 2018.	Electronic Entry Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of Hull Construction Standard [Copy] • Rating Certificates [Copy] • Colour Image [electronic] 	6.1
Deadline for confirmation of entry.	5 th October 2018	Payment of Entry Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of Hull Construction Standard • Rating Certificates • Insurance Certificate in ENGLISH. • EPIRB No & MMSI No. • Crew list & • Next of Kin form 	6.1 6.2. 6.2.1 6.2.2
Extended deadline for entry at discretion of OA and subject to late entry fee.	12 th October 2018	Payment deadline Late entry €250.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All documentation above. • Rating Certificate. 	6.4
		Payment of 25% Late Rating fee on additional cert.		6.4
Registration with Race Office at RMYC	18 th October 2018 18:00hrs	Signature of documents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crew List • Next of Kin form • Liability Disclaimer • Media Release • Image rights waiver. 	6.3



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ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE TROPHY WINNERS

1968	Josian	J. Ripard	Malta
1969	Surprise	M. Violati	Italy
1970	Tikka	J. Ripard	Malta
1971	Comet	C. Ricci	Italy
1972	Genoeffa	M. Ruggiero Bianchi	Italy
1973	Aura	W. Stenhouse	USA
1974	Mandrake	G. Carriero	Italy
1975	Valentina	E. Masini	Italy
1976	Sumbta IV	M. Boris	Italy
1977	Bembow	E. Recchi	Italy
1978	Nita IV	N. Mazzaferro	Italy
1979	Nita IV	N. Mazzaferro	Italy
1980	Nita IV	N. Mazzaferro	Italy
1981	Antares	P. English	France
1982	Levantades	G. Diano	Italy
1983	Saudade	A. Buel	Germany
1996	Bigfoot	C. Ripard	Malta
1997	Albablu	R. Irrera	Italy
1998	Leo Pigier	A. Ursino	Italy
1999	Aspirin Astro 2K	R. Wilhelm	Austria

2000	Zephyrus IV	R. McNeil	USA
2001	Strait Dealer	C. Ripard	Malta
2002	Market Wizard (Jammin)	J. Ripard Jr./ A. Calascione	Malta
2003	Nokia (Enigma of London)	C. Dunstone	UK
2004	Optimum III	N. Lazos / P. Livas	Greece
2005	Atalanta II	C. Puri Negri	Italy
2006	Morning Glory	H. Plattner	Germany
2007	Rambler	G. David	USA
2008	Spirit of Ad Hoc	T. Bouchard	France
2009	Alegre	A. Soriano	UK
2010	Lucky	B. Ehrhart	USA
2011	Artie	L. Satariano	Malta
2012	Hi Fidelity	E. de Villiers	South Africa
2013	B 2	M. Galli	Italy
2014	Artie	L. Satariano	Malta
2015	B 2	M. Galli	Italy
2016	Mascalzone Latino	V. Onorato	Italy
2017	Bogatyr	I. Rytov	Russia

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1968	Stormvogel	C. Bruynzeel	Holland
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1970	Stella Polare	M. Di Giovanni	Italy
1971	Penduik III	E. Tabarly	France
1972	Mania	P. Goulandris	Greece
1973	War Baby	W. Brown	Bermuda
1974	Entreara II	G. Moratti	Italy
1975	Benbow	E. Recchi	Italy
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1978	Mistress Quickly	W. Whitehouse Vaux	Bermuda
1979	Rumegal	R. Gardini	Italy
1980	Bumblebee IV	J. Kahlbetzer	Austria
1981	Antares	P.English	France
1982	Nirvana	M. Green	USA
1983	Saudade	A. Buell	Germany
1996	Alexia B	A. Roemmers	Argentina
1997	Sagamore	J. Dolan	USA
1998	Riviera di Rimini	G. Benvenuti	Italy
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2000	Zephyrus IV	R. McNeil	USA
2001	Strait Dealer	C. Ripard	Malta
2002	Nautor Challenge	S.Spangaro	Italy
2003	Alfa Romeo (Shockwave)	N. Crichton	New Zealand
2004	Alfa Romeo (Shockwave)	N. Crichton	New Zealand
2005	Atalanta II	C. Puri Negri	Italy
2006	Alfa Romeo (Shockwave)	N. Crichton	New Zealand
2007	Rambler	G. David	USA
2008	Alegre	A. Soriano	UK
2009	ICAP Leopard	M. Slade	UK
2010	Esimit Europa 2	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2011	Esimit Europa 2	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2012	Esimit Europa 2	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2013	Morning Glory	K. Plattner	Germany
2014	Esimit Europa 2	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2015	Rambler 88	G. David	USA
2016	Rambler 88	G. David	USA
2017	Rambler 88	G. David	USA



ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE WINNERS (MULTIHULLS)

2015	Paradox	P. Aschenbrenner	USA
2016	Maserati	G. Soldini	Italy



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2015	Phaedo 3	L. Thornburg	USA
2016	Maserati	G. Soldini	Italy

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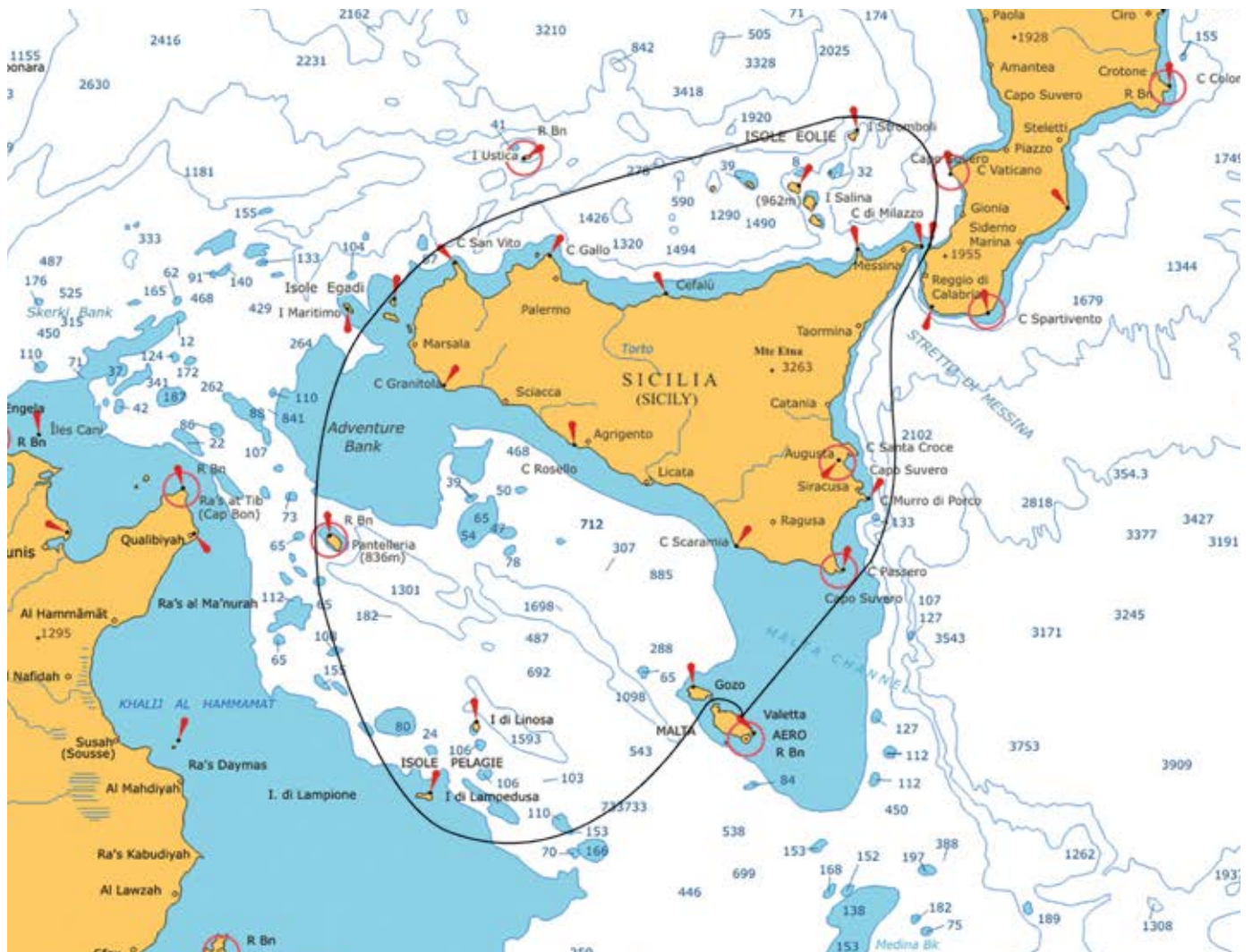
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