



INTERNATIONAL  
MAXI  
ASSOCIATION

**YEAR BOOK 2011**



Porto Cervo, Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup 2009: Claus-Peter Offen, IMA president and Y3K owner, winner in Wally category, is presented with a Trophy and Rolex watch by H.H. the Aga Khan, Yacht Club Costa Smeralda president, and Bruno Meier, Rolex CEO.

## Greetings from the President

The year 2010 has been a very active and successful year for the IMA.

We have made good progress in taking more influence in most of the racing events in the interest of our members. In spite of the ongoing economic turbulences in the world, our main event - the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup in Porto Cervo - saw the record number of 49 competitors: among them, 24 mini maxi were on the starting line for the first Rolex Mini Maxi World Championship.

Six new Members joined the Association in 2010. Fifty-one owners are now part of the "IMA family". The most representatives owners - and boats of course - of the world.

We are very satisfied because at the ISAF Meetings in November, the Council approved the Maxi Class as a full ISAF International Class.

This means that the International Maxi Association is now the only recognized Maxi Class association and is authorized to hold annual World and Continental Championships.

IMA is also working hard with various Rating Authorities to solve some rating problems for maxi and supermaxi boats not yet totally solved.

Together with the new Officer Board, I wish all of you a happy and successful fair racing season 2011.

Claus-Peter Offen

## Greetings from the Secretary General

The Secretariat is pleased to distribute to all our Members the "YEAR BOOK 2011" together with the best wishes for the next Holiday Season from the entire IMA Team.

The racing season 2010 was a significant step in the Maxi activities due to the "Rolex Mini Maxi World Championship" which has officially awarded the title of World Champion to a maxi boat after several years of silence. The last World competition was, in fact, held in 1999 as I.L.C. Championship where only a small group of maxis participated. The new "breeze" in the Association is now reinforcing all our sailing activities.

Another important step has been achieved with the approval of the owner/driver rule which was successfully tested in the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup with the record number of 49 maxi boats entering the event.

We may therefore look to the future with satisfaction for the results obtained and full serenity for new targets.

We had several problems with the rating certificates, sometimes not reflecting entirely the performances and the real data of the boats. Our Technical Office is permanently in contact with the IRC and ORC Rating Authorities to eliminate such discrepancies. A strong effort was implemented before the Mini Maxi Worlds to reweigh a very large part of all the entries to assure a fair competition. Some problems are not solved, but we are working hard for a better future.

I personally express my deepest thanks to all the Team for their professional and enthusiastic cooperation.

A new Sailing Season is in front of us: have good winds and a pleasant racing activity!

Gianfranco Alberini

## IMA Story



The racing activities for the Maxi as a separate class started in Porto Cervo in 1980 with the first Maxi Yacht Cup. Immediately afterward, by initiative of a group of owners, in a legal office in Geneva, Switzerland, the Association of the Maxi Owners was founded under the name "International Class A Yacht Association" (ICAYA) with the leadership of Baron E. de Rothschild elected the first President of the Class. "Class A" was the definition of a Maxi boat in the I.O.R. rating system, in force at that time.

The following year Gianfranco Alberini was nominated Secretary General of the Association.

ICAYA organized the Maxi Yacht World Championship for many years in Porto Cervo as its European base, as well in other venues in USA - Honolulu, Newport R.I., Miami, St. Thomas, San Francisco. In Europe also Puerto Portal, Antibes and Saint Tropez were selected as championship locations.

When the I.O.R. rating system declined and the IMS rating handicap was introduced, the Maxi fleet was severely reduced and the activities of the Class decreased.

When there was no more reason to call the association as "Class A" (because it did not exist any longer), at the Annual General Meeting in Miami in 2001 it was decided to rename the Class as "International Maxi Association" (IMA), which is still the name of the Class.

The Class is registered in Geneva and has an operational office in Porto Cervo and a technical office in the USA, for rating and technical matters.

The Class is now expanding its activities, and in 2010 the first Mini Maxi World Championship took place in September in Sardinia, with 24 entries from two continents and 49 Maxis participating to the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

IMA was previously recognised by ISAF as associated member of the IRC Congress. In November 2010 ISAF Council approved the Maxi Class as a full ISAF International Class.

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## Founder Members

François Carn  
Raul Gardini  
John B. Kilroy  
Edmond de Rothschild  
William Whitehouse-Vaux

## Honorary Members

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His Highness the Aga Khan  
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Vincenzo Onorato  
Lindsay Owen-Jones

Fabio Mangifesta  
Roel Pieper  
Hasso Plattner  
Carlo A. Puri Negri  
Andrea Recordati  
Alberto Roemmers  
Alessandro Rombelli  
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Udo Schuetz  
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Andres Soriano III  
Marco Tronchetti Provera  
Massimo Violati  
Niklas Zennström

## Boats

|                 |                   |              |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| ALEJANDRA       | GOOD JOB GUYS     | MY SONG      |
| ALEGRE          | GRANDE ORAZIO     | NUMBERS      |
| ALEXIA          | GREY GOOSE        | OPEN SEASON  |
| ALINGHI         | HETAIROS          | OPS 5        |
| ARTEMIS         | HIGHLAND FLING X  | RAMBLER      |
| ATALANTA II     | H2O               | RAN          |
| BELLA MENTE     | INDIO             | @ROBAS       |
| CHARIS          | INSPIRATION       | SAUDADE      |
| CHRISCO         | JETHOU            | SEILAN III   |
| CONTAINER       | KAURIS III        | SHOCKWAVE    |
| DARK SHADOW     | KIWI MAGIC        | STIG         |
| EDIMETRA VI     | LUNA ROSSA        | UNFURLED     |
| ESENSE          | MAGIC CARPET 2    | VIRIELLA     |
| ESIMIT EUROPA 2 | MARIQUITA         | VISIONE      |
| FAVONIUS        | MASCALZONE LATINO | WILD OATS IX |
| GENIE           | MAYA              | WILD OATS XI |
| GITANA          | MELITI            | Y3K          |



## Records

|  |                  |                       |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|
| <a href="#">MIDDLE SEA RACE 1978</a><br>3 days 7 hours 20 minutes  | MISTRESS QUICKLY | W. Whitehouse-Vaux    |
| <a href="#">GIRAGLIA 1984</a><br>27 hours 24 minutes   | BENBOW           | Claudio Recchi        |
| <a href="#">FASTNET RACE 1985</a><br>2 days 12 hours 41 minutes 15 seconds   | NIRVANA          | Marvin H. Green Jr.   |
| <a href="#">BERMUDA RACE 1996</a><br>2 days 9 hours 31 minutes 50 seconds  | BOOMERANG        | George S. Coumantaros |
| <a href="#">SYDNEY HOBART 1996</a><br>2 day 14 hours 7 minutes 10 seconds  | MORNING GLORY    | Hasso Plattner        |
| <a href="#">MONACO PORTO CERVO SPEED RECORD 2003</a><br>15 hours 24 minutes 59 seconds                               | NARIIDA          | Morten Bergesen       |
| <a href="#">GIRAGLIA ROLEX CUP 2003</a><br>22 hours 13 minutes 48 seconds  | ALFA ROMEO       | Neville Crichton      |
| <a href="#">BERMUDA RACE 2004</a><br>48 hours 28 minutes 51 seconds  | MORNING GLORY    | Hasso Plattner        |
| <a href="#">ROLEX SYDNEY-HOBART 2005</a><br>1 day 18 hours 40 minutes 10 seconds                                     | WILD OATS XI     | Robert Ian Oatley     |
| <a href="#">TRANSATLANTIC MAXI YACHT ROLEX CUP 2007</a><br>10 days 14 hours 1 minute 48 seconds                      | NARIIDA          | Morten Bergesen       |
| <a href="#">ROLEX FASTNET 2007</a><br>45 hours 3 minutes 21 seconds  | RAMBLER          | George David          |
| <a href="#">NORDBANK BLUE TRANSATLANTIC RACE 2007 (Newport to Hamburg)</a><br>11 days 16 hours 13 minutes 59 seconds | RAMBLER          | George David          |
| <a href="#">ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE 2007</a><br>47 hours 55 minutes 3 seconds  | RAMBLER          | George David          |
| <a href="#">BUENOS AIRES TO RIO 2008</a><br>4 days 9 hours 55 minutes 45 seconds                                     | RAMBLER          | George David          |
| <a href="#">GIRAGLIA ROLEX CUP 2008</a><br>18 hours 3 minutes 15 seconds   | ALFA ROMEO       | Neville Crichton      |
| <a href="#">CAPE TOWN TO BAHIA (fixed keel) 2009</a><br>11 days 2 hours 55 min 9 sec                                 | RAMBLER          | George David          |
| <a href="#">MARTHA'S VINEYARD OCEAN RACE 2009</a><br>5 hours 18 minutes 47 seconds                                   | RAMBLER          | George David          |

## Championship results

|      |                        |                  |           |                                |
|------|------------------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| 1980 | BUMBLEBEE 4            | A. Kalbetzer     | Australia |                                |
| 1981 | KIALOA IV              | J.B. Kilroy      | USA       |                                |
| 1983 | KIALOA IV              | J.B. Kilroy      | USA       |                                |
| 1985 | BOOMERANG              | G.S. Coumantaros | USA       |                                |
| 1987 | KIALOA V               | J.B. Kilroy      | USA       |                                |
| 1988 | IL MORO DI VENEZIA III | R. Gardini       | Italy     |                                |
| 1989 | LONGOBARDA             | G.Varasi         | Italy     |                                |
| 1990 | MATADOR 2              | W. Koch          | USA       |                                |
| 1991 | MATADOR 2              | W. Koch          | USA       |                                |
| 1995 | SAGAMORE               | B. Dolan         | USA       |                                |
| 1996 | BOOMERANG              | G.S. Coumantaros | USA       |                                |
| 1997 | SAYONARA               | L. Ellison       | USA       | I.L.C. Maxi World Championship |
|      | MORNING GLORY          | H. Plattner      | GER       |                                |
| 1998 | SAYONARA               | L. Ellison       | USA       | I.L.C. Maxi World Championship |
| 1999 | SAYONARA               | L. Ellison       | USA       | I.L.C. Maxi World Championship |
|      | BOOMERANG              | G.S. Coumantaros | USA       |                                |
| 2000 | ALEXIA                 | A. Roemmers      | ARG       |                                |
| 2001 | ALEXIA                 | A. Roemmers      | ARG       | Racing Division                |
|      | UNFURLED               | H. Macklowe      | USA       | Cruising Division              |
|      | VAE VICTIS             | A. Grande        | ITA       | Wally Division                 |
| 2002 | ALEXIA                 | A. Roemmers      | ARG       | Racing Division                |
|      | ADELA                  | G. Lindemann     | USA       | Classic Cruisers               |
|      | VIRIELLA               | V. Moretti       | ITA       | Cruising Division              |
|      | MAGIC CARPET           | L. Owen-Jones    | FRA       | Wally Division                 |
| 2003 | ADELA                  | G. Lindemann     | USA       | Spirit of Tradition Div        |
|      | ALFA ROMEO             | N. Crichton      | AUS       | IRC Division                   |
|      | IDEA SAI               | R. Raiola        | ITA       | IMS Division                   |

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|      |                 |               |     |                              |
|------|-----------------|---------------|-----|------------------------------|
| 2004 | VIRIELLA        | V. Moretti    | ITA | Cruising Division            |
|      | MAGIC CARPET 2  | L. Owen-Jones | FRA | Wally Division               |
|      | IDEA            | R. Raiola     | ITA | Racing Division              |
| 2005 | ADELA           | G. Lindemann  | USA | Spirit of Tradition          |
|      | UNFURLED        | H. Macklowe   | USA | Cruising Division            |
|      | Y3K             | C.P. Offen    | GER | Wally Division               |
|      | BLACK DRAGON    | O. Happel     | GER | Racing Division              |
| 2006 | MAGIC CARPET 2  | L. Owen-Jones | FRA | Wally Division               |
|      | ALFA ROMEO      | N. Crichton   | AUS | Racing Division              |
|      | ATALANTA II     | C. Puri Negri | ITA | Mini Maxi Division           |
|      | ALEPH           | G. Ruffo      | ITA | Mini Maxi Division - IRC     |
|      | HETARIOS        | O. Happel     | CH  | Spirit of Tradition Division |
|      | UNFURLED        | H. Macklowe   | USA | Cruising Division            |
| 2007 | INDIO           | A. Recordati  | ITA | Wally Division               |
|      | VIRIELLA        | V. Moretti    | ITA | Cruising Division            |
|      | EDIMETRA VI     | E. Gismondi   | ITA | Mini Maxi - IRC              |
|      | ATALANTA II     | C. Puri Negri | ITA | Mini Maxi - ORC              |
|      | MORNING GLORY   | H. Plattner   | GER | Racing Division              |
| 2008 | MAGIC CARPET 2  | L. Owen-Jones | FRA | Wally Division               |
|      | ALFA ROMEO 3    | N. Crichton   | AUS | Mini Maxi Division           |
|      | HETAIROS        | O. Happel     | GER | Cruising Division            |
|      | RAMBLER         | G. David      | USA | Racing Division              |
| 2009 | Y3K             | C.P. Offen    | GER | Wally Division               |
|      | ALFA ROMEO      | N. Crichton   | NZ  | Mini Maxi Racing Division    |
|      | GRANDE ORAZIO   | M. Florio     | ITA | Mini Maxi Racing/Cruising    |
|      | VISIONE         | H. Plattner   | GER | Cruising/SOT Division        |
| 2010 | Y3K             | C.P. Offen    | GER | Wally Division               |
|      | ESIMIT EUROPA 2 | I. Simčić     | SLO | Racing and Racing/Cruising   |
|      | HETAIROS        | O. Happel     | CAY | Supermaxi Division           |

## World Championships / IMA Championships

|      |                                |                    |              |     |
|------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----|
| 2009 | IMA Offshore Trophy            | <b>ALEGRE</b>      | A. Soriano   | USA |
|      | IMA Champion (Mini Maxi Fleet) | <b>BELLA MENTE</b> | H. Fauth     | USA |
| 2010 | Mini Maxi World Championship   | <b>RAN</b>         | N. Zennström | GBR |
|      | IMA Champion (Mini Maxi Fleet) | <b>ALEGRE</b>      | A. Soriano   | GBR |
|      | IMA Champion (Maxi Fleet)      | <b>INDIO</b>       | A. Recordati | ITA |
|      | IMA Offshore Trophy            | <b>ALEGRE</b>      | A. Soriano   | GBR |

## IMA Categories

With the decisions taken at the AGM 2009, the structure of the IMA is now based on two basic fleets.

The Mini Maxi Fleet includes boats with a minimum LOA of 18.29 metres up to a maximum LOA of 24.08 metres. Furthermore, the Mini Maxi may be separated into racing and racing/cruising. The upper limit for the mini maxi racing group is now fixed at 21.9456 metres (72 feet).

All the other boats with a LOA equal to 24.09 metres and over, are part of the Maxi Fleet, with different categories. When the LOA is above 30.50 metres, the category of Supermaxi has been introduced.

For the fleets, separate scoring may also be applied if there are at least four (4) entries in the racing boats, racing/cruising boats, Wallys or Supermaxis.

The split of the fleet will not take place in the case of a World Championship. One title will be awarded to the winner of the Mini Maxi Fleet and one title will be awarded to the winner of the Maxi Fleet.





## The racing events 2010



Hublot PalmaVela in Palma de Majorca was, in April, the very first racing event included in the 2010 IMA calendar. Real Club Nàutico of Palma welcomed the Maxi fleet and hosted the inaugural series of maxi competitions. The waters off Palma saw an impressive fleet competing in the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the trophy. Podium in the Wally division went to Magic Carpet 2 while Container won in the mini maxi division.

In the edition number 41 of Regate Pirelli-Coppa Carlo Negri (30 April-2 May) organized by Yacht Club Italiano, Alegre, My Song and Edimetra VI conquered respectively first, second and third position in IMA Group.

By the end of May the fleet moved to Capri, the Blue Island. At the Rolex Capri Sailing Week (May 25-29) the Mills 68 Alegre was unstoppable, taking a clean sweep of all six races: first classified in the mini maxi division, Andre's Soriano boat was followed by Sir Peter Ogden (Jethou) in second position.

Three weeks later it was time to reach Saint Tropez for the Giraglia Rolex Cup (June 16-19): the long distance race is the prize every competitor dreams of winning. It has the full 57 years of history behind it and has been won by many of the most famous yachts of the past half-century. 2010 edition saw Neville Crichton's Shockwave winning in the IRC Class and also in the mini maxi racing category.

Crichton is familiar with this race: he has won line honours five times, broken the course record twice, and now won overall. In 2010 he shared the podium with Igor Simčić, owner of Esimit Europa 2, winner in the Maxi Class.

One week earlier (June 8-12) twenty-eight superyachts raced during the Loro Piana Superyacht Regatta, organized by Yacht Club Costa Smeralda off Porto Cervo, Sardinia. The impressive fleet was divided into Performance and Cruising division. IMA Trophy was presented to Harry Maclowe (Unfurled), while Indio (Andrea Recordati) was awarded with the Wally Trophy.

For the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup in Porto Cervo (September 5 -11) forty-nine of the world's biggest sailing yachts raced off the stunning Sardinian coast in bright sunshine and on azure blue waters: the largest number of entries ever recorded in the history of maxi yacht competitions.

2010 maxi aces were: Igor Simčić and Esimit Europa 2 in Maxi, Claus-Peter Offen and Y3K in Wally; John Williams and Ranger in the J-Class; Otto Happel and Hetairos in Supermaxi. "Event inside the event", the very first edition of the Rolex Mini Maxi World Championship, included in the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup, with 24 participants and 9 races completed in a large variety of weather conditions. After an exciting last race, Niklas Zennström aboard Rán (GBR) took pole overall, and was therefore awarded the title of World Champion.

## Annual General Meeting 2010

The majority of the Members were present or represented at the Annual General Meeting of the Association which took place at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda in September 2010, during the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

Among other important items in the Agenda, there was a detailed revision of the Class Racing Rules as now reported in the Appendix Alfa and Appendix Bravo of the Bylaws at the end of this Year Book.

The new owner/driver rule and its application procedure was also discussed in details and agreed with a very large majority.

The upper LOA limit for the Mini Maxi Racing Group was fixed for a period of five years to metres 21.9456 (72 feet).

The Officers Board for the next two years was unanimously approved. The Secretary General and the Association Technical Officer were both confirmed as well.

A cooperation with the Offshore Racing Congress was also approved for investigation of the ORC International Rating System to be experimentally applied to the Supermaxi.

## Transatlantic Maxi Yacht Cup

Since 2007 IMA is organizing this real offshore race over 2.600 miles, limited to maxi yachts racing under IRC handicap. The regatta is starting from Tenerife (Canary Islands) in the last week of november bound to Sint Maarten Island in the Caribbean. The first edition took place in 2007, and the winner in that year was Nariida (owner Morten Bergesen) with the elapsed time of 10 days, 14 hours, 1 minute and 48 seconds. In 2009 the regatta took place under the direct organization by the IMA. The winner was Beau Gest (owner Karl C. Kwok) with the record of 9 days, 8 hours, 54 minutes and 27 seconds. Peter Harrison' Sojana is the winner of the 2010 edition.

An overall IRC trophy is assigned to the yacht with the best IRC corrected time: Blue Pearl in 2007, Beau Geste in 2009 and Sojana in 2010.

The Real Club Náutico de Tenerife is collaborating for the departure, and the Sint Maarten Yacht Club is collaborating for the arrival and the final prize giving. The race, that is becoming an important event of the international circuit for maxi yachts, is promoted by the IMA in response to owners' request for a transatlantic race dedicated specifically to maxi yachts. The regatta will also contribute to the IMA's efforts to establish a seasonal circuit for maxis that will allow owners to compete in summer offshore events in the Mediterranean and Europe before moving to the Caribbean for the traditional winter racing season. Finishing in Sint Maarten by the beginning of december allows competitors to participate in the Key Week Race, the Nautor Caribbean circuit as well in other winter key-events.

A special tracking system provided by ASH Live Tracking reports the position of each boat to the Organizing Authority every four hours. A link from the IMA web-site allows to follow the race from everywhere in the world.

## Racing program for IMA Championship and IMA Trophies 2011

### ROLEX IMA CHAMPIONSHIP

|  |                  |                |
|--|------------------|----------------|
| PalmaVela  | Palma de Maiorca | April 20-24    |
| Rolex Volcano Race   | Gaeta-Capri      | May 24-28      |
| Giraglia Rolex Cup (Offshore)                                | St. Tropez       | June 19-25     |
| Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup &<br>Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship | Porto Cervo      | September 5-11 |

*One event to be discarded. IMA Rules to be applied.*

### IMA OFFSHORE TROPHY

|                        |                       |               |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Rolex Volcano Race     | Gaeta-Capri           | May 24-28     |
| Giraglia Rolex Cup     | St. Tropez-Genova     | June 19-25    |
| Rolex Middle Sea Race  | Malta                 | October 22-28 |
| Transatlantic Maxi Cup | Tenerife-Sint Maarten | November 21   |

*Two events to be discarded. IMA Rules to be applied.*

### OTHER EVENTS WITH AN IMA TROPHY

|                                    |                  |                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Coppa Carlo Negri - Regate Pirelli | Portofino        | April 28-May 1     | All categories     |
| Loro Piana Superyacht Regatta      | Porto Cervo      | June 7-11          | Maxi and Supermaxi |
| Giraglia Rolex Cup (inshore)       | St. Tropez       | June 19-25         | All categories     |
| Copa del Rey Audi-Mapfre           | Palma de Maiorca | July 30-August 6   | Mini Maxi          |
| Rolex Fastnet Race                 | Cowes            | August 14-21       | All categories     |
| Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race     | Sydney           | start: December 26 | All categories     |

*(Dates of each event to be verified with respective organizing yacht clubs)*



## Secretariat Team



### Secretary General

The role is covered by Gianfranco Alberini who was nominated for the first time Secretary General of the Class at the AGM in Paris in 1981. Since then he was annually reelected in this role. According to the By-laws, he represents the Association for all the purposes and objectives indicated in the Statute.

He is responsible for the administration of the association.

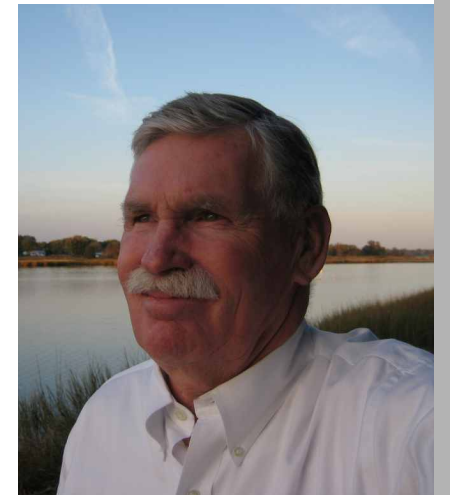
He maintains the contacts with the members, with the International Bodies and with the Organizing Authorities of the various events.



### Race Secretary

Marshall Lawson has taken on the role this year working from her office near Newport, RI, USA. She maintains the contacts with the Members and skippers for all IMA related events, works with the various Organizing Authorities to insure application of the IMA rules and standards, and works with the ATO on rating certificates, scoring and results.

## Secretariat Team



### Association Technical Officer

The role is covered by Peter Lawson.

The IMA Technical Office encompasses a variety of activities throughout the year with a concentration of effort during the IMA championship events, the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup and the IMA Transatlantic Race.

During the racing season, the ATO assists the owners or owner's representatives with the acquiring or updating of current IRC certificates by dealing directly with the IRC Rating Authorities.

The ATO maintains a file of current certificates and reviews them for accuracy and consistency. At IMA events, the office coordinates the process of checks and controls with the assistance of measurers from various IRC Rule Authorities.

In 2008, the IMA became an associate member of the IRC Congress. In 2009, the IMA was granted the right to effectively act as its own rule authority dealing directly with the RORC Rating Office for all IMA IRC certificates. In this capacity, the ATO is in the process of establishing standards that will universally apply to the IMA fleet insuring a common measurement standards and uniform application of the IRC rule to all maxi boats. Part of this process includes certifying professional measurers acceptable to the IMA.

At each IMA event, the ATO is responsible, with the approval of the officers, of splitting the categories of the Mini Maxi and Maxi fleets, or as the case may be, combining the categories as authorized in both cases by Appendix Alpha.

The ATO also assists the Secretary General with the communication between the IMA and ISAF as well as the drafting of documents necessary to comply with ISAF regulations now that the IMA has been granted International status and is preparing to conduct its first World Championship for the Mini Maxi fleet in 2010.

### Press Office & Communications

Maria Luisa Farris, journalist, is in charge for managing IMA internal and external communications, and PR. She works from her office in Porto Cervo, Italy, and reports directly to the Secretary General.

She manages media relations and writes press releases; she is responsible for updating IMA web-site and for all editorial projects - like the Year Book.

She assists the Secretary General in organizing IMA social events.



## The collaborating Yacht Clubs



### Yacht Club Costa Smeralda

The Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) was founded in Porto Cervo, Sardinia, on May 12<sup>th</sup> 1967 by its current President, H. H. the Aga Khan, and a small group of Founder Members as a non-profit making sporting association for fellow sailing enthusiasts and with a view to promoting related activities.

The sporting events organized by the Club and the victories won by members flying the Club's burgee have helped to establish the YCCS' position at the forefront of international yachting. Today the YCCS enjoys a fully reciprocal twinning agreement with the Yacht Club di Monaco and, since July 2002, with the New York Yacht Club. The YCCS is represented by the Board of Directors headed by its President, Princess Zahra Aga Khan. The Commodore, Secretary General and Sports Director also manage the Club's social and sporting activities.

Since its foundation YCCS has been one of the most important and active promoters of maxi yacht regattas: the very first edition of the Maxi Yacht Championship was held in Porto Cervo in 1980. Starting from then, IMA and YCCS have collaborated for more than 25 years, generating constant growth in events and activities and maintaining the Maxi Yacht Cup in Porto Cervo as the key annual event.

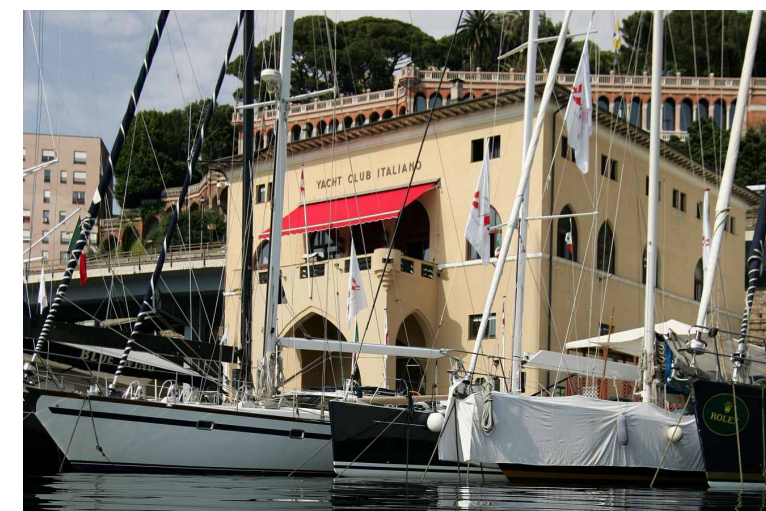


### Yacht Club Italiano

History of Yacht Club Italiano began towards the end of the nineteenth century when Vittorio Augusto Vecchi and a group of sailing enthusiasts, including H.M. the King Umberto I, founded the Royal Yacht Club Italiano. Since its inaugural regatta on 8<sup>th</sup> August 1880, YCI' aims have always been to promote the sport of yachting, organize national and international regattas and cruises, and educate young sailors. Over the years, the Yacht Club Italiano has continued to consolidate its international profile: through twinning and partnerships the YCI has established close ties with some of the principal European yacht clubs. Beppe Croce, well-loved Club President for 28 years, subsequently became the first non-English speaking country ISAF President.

Among hundreds of successful events, remarkable are the gold medal awarded to the 8 metre "Italia" at the XI Olympic Games (Kiel 1936) and the participation of the 12 metre S.I. "Italia" in the 1987 America's Cup.

Giraglia Rolex Cup and Regate Pirelli-Coppa Carlo Negri will welcome the maxi fleet in the 2011 sailing season.



## The collaborating Yacht Clubs



### Sint Maarten Yacht Club

Located on the 37 square mile island of St.Maarten, the Sint Maarten Yacht Club is dedicated to promoting the sport of sailing on the island, as well as to encourage the youth of the island to take up sailing as a sport. Many of the children that pass through the program compete around the Caribbean. The Yacht Club is home to the largest regatta in the Caribbean, the St.Maarten Heineken Regatta, which celebrated its 30th year in March 2010. With over 120 members both on island and abroad, it is the largest Yacht Club on St.Maarten. Saturdays enjoy club racing almost year round and throughout the year dinners and family fun days are scheduled to bring the members together.

St. Maarten Yacht Club is happy to collaborate with the International Maxi Association for the Transatlantic Maxi Cup and to arrange in St. Maarten the finish line for this event.



### Royal Malta Yacht Club

The Royal Malta Yacht Club has a deep commitment to the yachting tradition. Founded in 1835, the RMYC is the only Yacht Club in Malta and is also the founding member of the Malta Sailing Federation.

The club is member controlled and each full member has a voice in the use and care of the club's facilities and services. Membership spans age and professional experience. In this private, year-round club, the only limitation is how much members want to participate. Whether a member owns a boat or not, the Royal Malta Yacht Club offers the benefits of a private social club with extraordinary services and facilities.

The Club has taken over the MMA Yachting Center to develop into a modern yacht club with recreational, fitness, dinghy and marina facilities. In November 2008, after some 40 odd years, the RMYC moved off Manoel Island into their new Club House in Ta'Xbex.



### Real Club Náutico de Tenerife

On 26 December 1902 the "Tinerfeño Yacht Club" was founded in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, with the aim of "encouraging and promoting all kinds of physical exercise and especially the sea". Year by year the sports offer was extended to the teaching and practice of fencing, swimming, water sports, tennis, basketball and front-tennis.

As the sport of nautical respect, the Real Club Náutico de Tenerife has acquired an organizational capacity that goes beyond regional and national borders. Its facilities are the result of intense efforts by members. Regarding the organization of races and championships, RCNT has a great experience going back to the very year of its founding, and currently represent 95% of the races that are organized in the province of Tenerife.

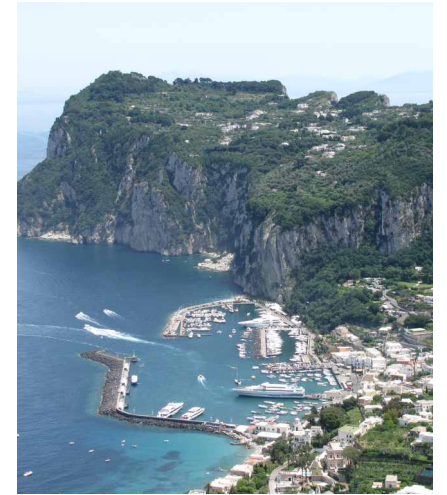
Organized annually since 1993, Trophy SAR Infanta Cristina is considered by the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation as a high-level event and scoring for the Championship Cruise of Spain.

The RCNT is happy to collaborate with the International Maxi Association for the organization of the Transatlantic Maxi Cup.

## The collaborating Yacht Clubs

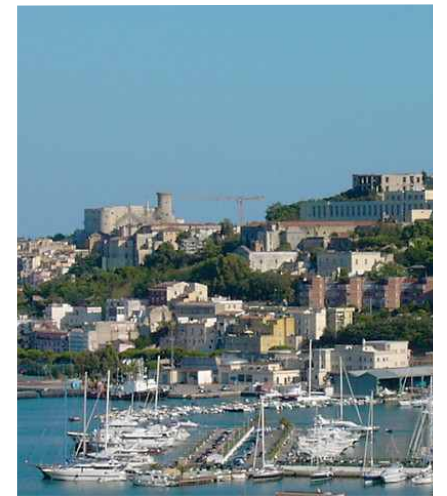
### Yacht Club Capri

The Yacht Club Capri was established in 1999 with the intent of promoting nautical and sailing sporting activities on the wonderful island where it is based. One of the club's primary objectives is to draw the local population closer to sailing. Given the goal, in 2001 the Club opened a Sailing Academy for children and adults: furthermore, in 2008 thanks to the support of the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) the club started an important collaboration with local schools drawing more and more youngsters closer to this fascinating sport. The headquarters of the Club are in the heart of the Marina Grande in Capri. House of the Rolex Capri Sailing Week, Yacht Club Capri will host the maxi fleet ending in Capri the inaugural edition of the Rolex Volcano Race.



### Yacht Club Gaeta E.V.S.

The first edition of the Rolex Volcano Race will start from Gaeta, an historical city well known worldwide for her important churches and convents, religious monuments and the Castle. Nestling in a beautiful and perfectly sheltered harbour, Yacht Club Gaeta E.V.S. was formally founded in 2009 but has a long sailing tradition and since the last 30 years has been organizing international racing events. The Clubhouse is located inside of the Base Nautica Flavio Gioia, that, with its well-equipped marina with modern pontoons, boasts a total of 250 moorings for yachts up to 60 metres. The Base is placed just a few minutes walking from Gaeta city centre, in front of historic Borgo Elena, now and in the old times the heart of the town. Base Nautica Flavio Gioia is open all year round and offers a complete range of nautical services, including a boatyard for maintenance work on sailing and motoryachts.



### Real Club Náutico de Palma

Founded in 1948, the Real Club Náutico de Palma Yacht Club is the doyen of the Balearic Yacht Clubs. Faithful to its vocation of being one of the best clubs in Europe, it completely revamped its installations between 1999 and 2004.

The RCNP runs each year 4 important regattas. The Trofeo Ciutat de Palma for youngster and junior sailors, which has achieved its 60th anniversary in 2010; the Princess Sofia Trophy-Mapfre, the only Spanish event included in the exclusive ISAF Circuit (Sailing World Cup) for Olympic classes. The Copa del Rey Audi-Mapfre with its 29 years of existence has become a worldwide leader regatta for the cruising circuits. To all of this, RCNP adds every year occasional regattas depending on the classes and club's requirements. PalmaVela, the last big event to arrive to the Club's spring calendar, is today proud to be the regatta to have brought back the maxi yachts to Palma and therefore to revive the relationships of the RCNP with the International Maxi Association. A very important part of the regatta is focused and prepared to make the Maxi fleet feel like at home providing them with all the logistical and professional support they require. In the past season the RCNP has experienced a very positive and smooth increment in the relationship with the IMA, arriving nowadays to a cordial and exquisite professional reciprocity. Therefore the RCNP is eager to attend the IMA and all its members, once more, in the next 8<sup>th</sup> edition of PalmaVela and for the 30<sup>th</sup> Copa del Rey Audi-Mapfre.





### NAME AND SEAT

#### Article 1

Under the name INTERNATIONAL MAXI ASSOCIATION, there is a non profit Association governed by the present By-laws and by art. 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code.

The Association was set up in Geneva, on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1979, under the name "International Class A Yacht Association" (ICAYA).

The seat of the Association is in Geneva.

Its administrative office may be located anywhere else, in Switzerland or abroad.

### PURPOSE

#### Article 2

The purpose of the Association is:

2.1 The encouragement of amateur yacht racing, organisation of Corinthian sailing, match races, regattas and competitions for the sailing yachts of the Categories indicated in Appendix ALPHA. Yacht racing to be governed by the rules of the "International Sailing Federation" (ISAF). Events to be organised by the Association jointly with recognised Yacht Clubs.

2.2 To undertake all necessary steps with International and National Authorities and sailing organisations in order to ensure and co-ordinate the achievement of the purpose stated above.

2.3 The promotion of social activities among Members of the Association.

2.4 To review the application of handicap and measurement rules for yachts of the Categories indicated in Appendix ALPHA and to establish appropriate regulations to be applied at IMA events.

### MEMBERSHIP

#### Article 3

3.1 Any person over the age of 18 years may become a member of the Association in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth.

3.2 The Association includes:

- Founding members
- Members (active or non active);
- Honorary members: persons elected according to the procedure set in art. 4 below, who, in the opinion of the members or in the opinion of the Officers are able to assist in the development and aims of the Association. The Honorary Members have no voting rights and do not pay annual subscriptions.

The Association may accept new members at any time.

### ADMISSION

#### Article 4

4.1 Candidates for membership must be proposed in writing by one member and seconded by another one having voting right (art. 10 below). The proposal should be forwarded to the Secretary General accompanied by letters from the proposer and seconded which should state for how long and to what extent the candidate has been known by them. The proposal should contain the full name of the candidate, his address, nationality and profession, name of the yacht owned and other clubs of which the candidate is a member.

4.2.1 The candidate must be the owner of a boat included in the categories mentioned in Appendix ALPHA.

4.2.2 The candidate must show to the Secretary General written proof that he has contracted the building or the purchase of a sailing yacht of the categories mentioned in Appendix ALPHA, to be delivered to him within twelve months from the date of the candidature.

4.2.3 Should the new-built yacht as referred to above not be completed within the prescribed time, the building time may be extended for a period not exceeding six month. Should the yacht not be completed within 18 months from the date of the candidature, Membership is ipso facto cancelled.

4.2.4 The candidate must show to the Secretary General written evidence that he has contracted bare boat charter of a sailing yacht of the categories mentioned in Appendix ALPHA for a period of twelve months from the date of the candidature or for a period of time lapsing upon the delivery to the candidate of yacht to be purchased or built in compliance with the art. 4.2.2 or 4.2.3 above.

4.3 As soon as possible after receiving the proposal for membership, the Secretary General shall advise the members with voting right by mail, fax or email of the proposal and request them to vote in favour of or against the election of the candidate by letter, fax or email within 30 days of the Secretary General's original notification. Members failing to vote within the thirty days period shall be deemed to have voted in favour of the candidate's proposal.

4.4 After the period of 30 days referred to above, the Secretary General shall submit the proposal to the officers and, provided that there has been no adverse vote from any member with voting right, the candidate's election shall be confirmed. The Secretary General informs the candidate by mail, requesting payment of the subscription. In case of one adverse vote, the candidature may not be presented again within a period of two years.

4.5 In case of a qualifying yacht having more than one owner, all co-owners must be members of the Association.

## RESIGNATION, DECEASE, EXPULSION

### Article 5

A member shall cease to be a member of the Association:

5.1 Upon notification in writing to the Secretary General of the member's intention to terminate membership, with or without notice. The resigning member shall pay the annual fee. The annual fee already paid will not be reimbursed.

5.2 Upon death.

5.3 Upon bankruptcy.

5.4 Upon expulsion, if the conduct of any member is considered, in the opinion of the other members, to be injurious to the character or interests of the Association or makes him unworthy to belong to it. However, the resolution of expulsion cannot be taken before such member has had the possibility to offer an explanation either orally or in writing to the Secretary General and to the Officers.

5.5 If the annual subscription and/or possible additional contributions (art. 16.3) is in arrears for a period of six months after the Annual General Meeting at which the subscription was determined or the additional contribution was requested.

The resolution of expulsion is at members' discretion and no appeal shall be granted. The motives need not be indicated. The notice of expulsion shall be sent in writing to the member's last known address.

## ORGANS

### Article 6

The organs of the Association are:

- The General meeting of the members,
- The Officers,
- The Secretary General,
- In case of appointment, the auditors.

## ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

### Article 7

7.1 The Ordinary General Meeting takes place every year at the date and place set by the Officers, within nine months following the closing of the financial year.

7.2 All members are called individually by the Secretary General at least thirty days in advance, indicating the agenda and the names of the Officers in charge of the Association.

7.3 Unless otherwise provided for by the by-laws, the Meeting may validly deliberate if at least 51% of the Members with voting right are present or represented by proxy. Should this quorum not be reached, a second meeting shall be called where the quorum is 26 %.

7.4 Unless otherwise provided for by the by-laws, the resolutions are taken upon a show of hands by the majority of the members present or represented.

7.5 Proxies must be in writing (by letter, fax or email) and must be given to a member with voting right.

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

### Article 8

8.1 An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time on the initiative of the Officers or upon request in writing to the Secretary General by, subject to art. 64 al. 3 of the Swiss Civil Code, at least three members with voting right. The Secretary General calls the meeting according to the procedure indicated in art. 7.2 above.

8.2 The Extraordinary General Meeting can not take resolutions if at least 51% of the members are not present or represented by proxy. Unless otherwise provided for by the by-laws, the resolutions are taken with the majority of three quarters of the members present or represented.

8.3 A resolution notified by the Secretary General and approved in writing by at least three quarters of the members with voting right is equivalent to a resolution of the General Meeting. Art. 4.4 and art. 13.1 are reserved.

## PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETING

### Article 9

9.1 At all General Meetings the Chair shall be taken by the President or in his absence by one of the Vice Presidents, and in the absence of the President and Vice Presidents, the Chair shall be taken by the most senior member of the Association present.

9.2 The Chairman may, with the consent of the majority of the members present or represented, adjourn any General Meeting to another date and place. However, at the second meeting no business may be transacted other than the business left unfinished in the first meeting.

9.3 Members who were not present or represented at the original meeting shall be entitled to attend and vote at any adjournment thereof.

9.4 The Minutes of the General Meeting are edited by the Secretary General, and shall be signed by him and by the Chairman. The extracts from the Minutes are certified by the Secretary General.

## VOTING RIGHT AT GENERAL MEETINGS

### Article 10

10.1 Each member shall have one vote at General Meetings.

However:

10.2 When a yacht is owned by two or several members (art. 4.5 above), the latter shall have only one vote per yacht.

10.3 Members who have not paid the annual subscription and/or possible additional contributions (art. 16.3 below) within the prescribed deadline are deprived from their voting right.

10.4 In compliance with art. 68 of the Swiss Civil Code, any member involved in a transaction or a legal case of the Association, or whose relatives in direct line or spouse are involved in such a case, do not have voting right on those matters.

## COMPETENCES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

### Article 11

The General Meeting is the supreme body of the Association

Its powers include:

- Approval of the Annual report of the President, of the Treasurer and of the Secretary General,
- Approval of the annual accounts.
- Release of the officers and the Secretary General,
- Determination of the annual subscription,
- Admission and expulsion of members,
- Election and removal of the Officers, of the Secretary General and, as the case may be, of the auditors.
- Adoption of and amendments to the by-laws and dissolution of the Association,
- Setting or approval of the racing calendar,
- Dealing of all affairs which do not fall within the competence of the other organs.
- The General Meeting also decides on motions or proposals presented by individual members with voting right to the Secretary General at least 30 days before the date of calling.

## OFFICERS

### Article 12

12.1 The Officers of the Association are :

- The President ;
- One vice-President for each category;
- The Treasurer  
elected among the members with voting right.

12.2 The Officers are elected for a period of two years.

12.3 The President having served the maximum period shall not be eligible for re-election as President or Vice-President in the two following years.

12.4 "One year" means the period between an Ordinary General Meeting and the following one.

12.5 The President shall be responsible for coordination with the Secretary General and shall preside at all social and official events of the Association. The President represents the Association at all official and social events to which the Association is invited. However, in no case shall he take upon himself any duty, office or position which are within the competences of the Secretary General.

12.6 The Vice-Presidents assist the President in the activities concerning the category they represent and shall deputize for the President if he is unable to be present at any social or official event. However, the duties that they so perform shall not exceed the duties indicated in art. 12.5 above.

12.7 The Treasurer is the supervisor for all financial management tasks entrusted to the Secretary General. He also reports to the General Meeting about the financial status of the Association and proposes to the meeting the amount of the subscriptions to be set for the current year.

12.8 In the event that an Officer's position becomes vacant, any two Officers and three founder members shall have the power to appoint a member with voting rights to fill such vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting.

12.9 The Officers meet at least once per semester or more frequently if necessary. They take resolutions at the majority of the votes casted by the officers present, provided that these form the majority of the officers in charge. In case of equality of votes, the President has a casting vote . The resolutions may also be taken in the form of an approval given in writing to a proposal, unless a discussion is requested by one of the officers.

12.10 The Officers have the widest powers to manage the Association. They may establish temporary or permanent committees with the aim of dealing with specific aspects of the life of the Association or grant mandates to third parties for specific purposes. The Officers shall approve the sponsorship contracts proposed by the Secretary General.

## SECRETARY GENERAL

### Article 13

13.1 The Secretary General of the Association shall be appointed by the General Meeting for such period of time and upon such terms and conditions as the latter may think fit. The General meeting may remove him by a resolution (taken in the meeting or by written/fax approval) gathering at least 51 % of the members with voting right.

13.2 The Secretary General shall keep the register of the Minutes of all Meetings.

13.3 The Secretary General is responsible for the day to day administration of the Association in accordance with the instructions given to him by the General meeting. The Secretary General shall keep correct accounts of all transactions and prepare a balance sheet and a profit and loss statement at the end of each financial year. He reports regularly to the Treasurer on all expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.

He represents the Association for all purposes relating to Article 2 above. He is in particular authorized to bind the Association towards Authorities and other associations or similar entities.

13.4 The Secretary General is not a member of the Association.

## REPRESENTATION

### Article 14

The Association is validly represented toward third parties by the individual signature of the President or the Secretary General. Further, the Officers may delegate the right of signature (individual or joint) to any other persons being members or non-members of the Association.

In any case, the right of signature on bank accounts is exercised individually by the Treasurer or by the Secretary General.

## TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS

### Article 15

The Officers, at the suggestion of the Secretary General, may appoint one or more technical consultants who, in consultancy with the Class Measures and the appropriate international bodies (ORC, RORC, UNCL, ISAF) will act or as the Association Technical Office.

## RESOURCES

### Article 16

16.1 The resources of the Association are derived from the subscriptions paid by the members, from donations and bequests by members and third parties and from income of activities such as sponsorship agreements.

16.2 The amount of the annual subscriptions is set so as to enable the coverage of the annual expenses and to establish an appropriate contingency fund.

16.3 The Secretary General may, subject to the President's permission, ask at any time for additional contributions from the members for specific reasons.

16.4 Any balance of funds available after the payment of all the costs incurred may be utilised as the General meeting may think fit for the furtherance of the Association's development.

## RESPONSIBILITY

### Article 17

Only the Association's assets guarantee the liabilities of the Association. Any personal responsibility of the members is excluded. The members do not have any obligation towards the Association and third parties, except those provided for in these by-laws.

## AUDITORS

### Article 18

Auditors may be appointed each year by the General Meeting. Art. 69b al. 1 of the Swiss Civil Code is reserved in any case. Appointed auditors may be re-elected indefinitely.

However, considering art. 16.3 above, the Association is obliged, in accordance with art. 69 b al 2 of the Swiss Civil Code, to appoint auditors in case of request by one single member.

## FINANCIAL YEAR

### Article 19

The annual financial year starts on January 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

## GENERAL

### Article 20

Any member may not, under no circumstances, utilize the Association, its name or events or publications, nor a yacht belonging to another member for private or commercial personal purposes.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

### Article 21

21.1 Any member wishing to propose amendments to these by-laws shall do it in writing to the Secretary General at least 30 days in advance of the next Ordinary General Meeting with the secondment of another member. The Secretary General includes the proposal in the agenda. The proposal shall be motivated during the General Meeting by the proposing member.

21.2 The Officers may as well call at any time an Extraordinary General Meeting to propose an alteration to the by-laws.

21.3 The decision is taken with the majority of three quarters of the members with voting right.

## DISSOLUTION

### Article 22

In case of dissolution, decided at the majority of three quarters of the members with voting right, the General meeting, on proposal by the Officers, appoints one or more liquidators and specifies their powers.

## ALLOCATION OF THE ASSETS

### Article 23

In case of dissolution of the Association, the assets available at the end of the liquidation will be allocated to a non profit entity with similar purposes, selected by the Officers.

## SAILING RULES

### Article 24

24.1 All races organized by or on behalf of the Association or which the latter takes part in, shall be governed by the Rules of the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing.

24.2 The sailing and racing programme for the following season or seasons shall be selected or confirmed by the members with voting right of the Association at General Meetings and the Secretary General shall make all necessary arrangements for the implementation of the sailing and racing programme. The management and control of the Association's own sailing and racing programme shall be the responsibility of the Secretary General. He shall also be responsible for co-ordination with all other Associations and other clubs organizing events in which Association boats take part as a class, as well as for the necessary administrative functions, including:

- Notice of Race
- Sailing Instructions
- Race Committee
- Race Functions
- Logistics
- International Jury
- Social Events

## PLACE OF JURISDICTION

### Article 25

Any dispute which may arise, during the life of the Association and its liquidation, whether between the Members and the Association or the Officers, the Secretary General, the auditors or the liquidator, or between the members themselves concerning the activities of the Association shall be submitted to the competent courts of the seat of the Association, save any appeal to the Swiss Federal Tribunal.

## APPENDIX ALFA & APPENDIX BRAVO

Appendix ALFA (categories) and Appendix BRAVO (racing rules) to the By-laws, may be amended by the Officers at ISAF's request or upon proposal of the Secretary General.

## APPENDIX ALFA (Fleet Definition)

Number in ( ) correspond to Class Rules numbers

- 1- (2.5.1) The Maxi Yacht of the IMA members shall be monohull, keel sailing boats with a minimum LH of 18.29 metres;
- 2- (2.5.2) The IMA boats are divided into two basic Fleets:
  - i) Mini Maxi Fleet including boats with LH not less than 18.29 metres (unless grandfathered) and not over 24.08 metres;
  - ii) Maxi Fleet including boats with LH not less than 24.09 metres
- 3- (2.5.2.1) The Mini Maxi Fleet may be divided into Racing Category and Racing/Cruising Category. The upper limit of LH for the Racing Category is 21.9456 metres (72 feet).
- 4- (2.5.2.2) Maxi Fleet may be divided into the following categories:
  - Racing Maxi, from LH 24.09 metres to LH 30.50 metres;
  - Racing/Cruising Maxi, from LH 24.09 to LH 30.50 metres;
  - Wally Maxi, from LH 24.09 metres and no upper limit;
  - Supermaxi, from LH 30.51 metres and no upper limit.
- 5- The above limits to be confirmed or changed at the annual AGM. Assignment of the boats to one or the other category is made by the ATO with the approval of the Officers.
- 6- (2.5.2.3) To have separate scoring each category shall have a minimum of four entries for each racing event where IMA rules apply. If the minimum number is not achieved, the category will be racing and will be scored with some other category as decided by the ATO with the approval of the Officers.
- 7- (2.5.2.4) The above value of the minimum number of entries to be confirmed or modified at the annual AGM.

- 8- (2.5.2.5) Possible penalizations in the case of common scoring of two or more categories shall be fixed by the ATO with the approval of the Officers.
- 9- (2.5.2.6) For IMA Championship events all competing boats, members or non members of the Association shall have a valid Rating Certificate endorsed by the ATO. Measurements and controls shall be made by official measurers approved by IMA.
- 10- (2.5.2.7) To be formally registered as a competitor and to be qualified for scoring and prizes the Rating Certificate must be endorsed by the ATO.
- 11- (2.5.2.8) All the competing boats in an IMA Championship event shall comply with the IMA Class Rules and regulations, including the Owner/Driver Rule.
- 12- (2.5.2.9) By agreement between the O.A. and IMA, the above rules shall be included in the Notice of Race.
- 13- This Appendix Alfa dated September 2010 cancels and supersedes any previous edition.

The Appendix will be submitted to the ISAF to be included in the official Class Rules.

## APPENDIX BRAVO (Class Rules)

### 1 MAXI DEFINITION (see appendix alfa)

## 2.1 GENERAL

### 2.1.1 RULES

- (a) Racing Rules of Sailing.
- (b) The ERS Part I - Use of Equipment shall apply.
- (c) OSR Category 3 except as changed in class rule 2.6.
- (d) IRC or ORC Rating Rule except as varied herein

## 2.2 CREW

While racing under these rules the ISAF Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22, shall apply. All helmsmen requiring a classification should apply on the ISAF website [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org). Crew other than helmsman set out below do not require classification.

### 2.2.1 LIMITATIONS

- (a) The crew shall consist of not more than the number of people stated in class rule 2.4.2.
- (b) All crew shall comply with the ISAF Regulation 19 - ISAF Eligibility Code.

### 2.2.2 HELMSMAN LIMITATIONS

#### 2.2.2.1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

While racing at an event designated as a World or Continental Championship, the MINI MAXI FLEET, the MAXI FLEET and the SUPERMAXI FLEET, shall be



steered by one HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELM and all helms shall comply with the competition criteria defined in 2.2.2.4

The FLEETS shall be helmed by an OWNER HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELM, except for short periods when one or more approved RELIEF HELM, may helm to allow for drinking, eating and any other physiological need with the following restrictions: maximum break of five (5) minutes per hour, but never from the preparatory signal to 30 minutes after the start signal, during manoeuvres, race critical situations, mark roundings or during the last thirty minutes before the finish line. In the case of an emergency involving the safety of the boat or crew the boat may be helmed by any other member of the crew and any such incident shall be reported to the Race Committee which may protest the boat. For coastal or offshore races, after 4 (four) hours, if the race is not completed, the RELIEF HELM(s) may steer the boat for 75% of the remaining time respecting the above restrictions.

#### 2.2.2.2 ALL OTHER EVENTS

For the MINI MAXI, MAXI AND SUPERMAXI FLEETS the following shall apply while racing:

- (i) for W-L and short coastal races (less than 4 hours). Same rules as World and Continental Championship.
- (ii) for long Coastal races (course greater than 60 n.m.) and offshore races: the OWNER HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELM shall steer the boat for at least 25% of the time.
- (iii) In the event that a HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELMSMAN is unwilling or unable to steer in compliance with this rule and is replaced for any reason by a SUBSTITUTE HELMSMAN or BOAT CAPTAIN, the O.A. and the Class shall be notified in writing and the following penalties on the elapsed time shall apply:
  - If helmed by the BOAT CAPTAIN: 1%
  - If helmed by a SUBSTITUTE HELM (cat. 1 sailor): 2%

But only for two (2) race days for regatta and no more than three (3) days per season of the IMA race program.

In such a case the OWNER HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELM shall notify the O.A. and the Association in advance.

#### 2.2.2.3 HELMSMAN APPROVAL

A Helmsman Approval Panel shall approve all helmsmen designations in accordance with the criteria set out below.

The Panel shall comprise of the Association Secretary General, Technical Officer and one (1) member of the class executive committee appointed by the President of the IMA.

Decisions shall be by simple majority with email balloting accepted.

A list of all approved helmsmen and their designations will be published on the class association website.

Prior to rejecting any helmsman on the grounds that his ISAF Sailor classification being incorrect the Helmsman Approval Panel shall consult with the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission.

Any Owner or Charterer may request a review of the eligibility of any helmsman by the Helmsman Approval Panel. In considering such a review the Panel:

- (i) shall, if relevant, confirm eligibility under the relevant criteria; and
- (ii) shall, if relevant, consider and confirm bona fide ownership or charter; and
- (iii) may consider and use any other facts it may consider relevant; and
- (iv) shall consult with the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission where the review considers the helmsman's classification may be incorrect.

Panel decisions shall be final.

#### 2.2.2.4 HELM DESIGNATIONS

The criteria for designation are laid out below:

An OWNER HELMSMAN shall be a sailor who:

- (i) owns 100% of the boat; or
- (ii) is a Group 1 sailor who is a partial owner with a minimum 51% ownership of the boat and share of its annual operating costs; or
- (iii) is a Group 1 sailor who is an immediate relative of the owner

Approval of an Owner helmsman is valid throughout ownership provided there is no change in his circumstances that may materially alter the original application.

A CHARTERER HELM shall be:

- (i) A Group 1 sailor who is chartering a maxi boat for any period or any event of the calendar year, and
- (ii) Meets the competition criteria
- (iii) Is a Bona-fide charter

All CHARTERER HELMS shall be approved in advance by the Helmsman Approval Panel (2.2.2.3.)

A SUBSTITUTE HELMSMAN is a group 1 sailor who meets the competition criteria.

Approval is event specific.

A RELIEF HELM is a sailor of any category

A BOAT CAPTAIN shall be a sailor who:

- (i) is the Boat Captain employed by the Owner or Charterer as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year; and
- (ii) must not be employed to race on any other boat other than that of the IMA owner; and
- (iii) meets the competition criteria

Approval is for the calendar year.

#### COMPETITION CRITERIA

The helm must not have:

- (i) been employed to helm by an America's Cup / Challenger Series team in the preceding 15 years

- (ii) been in the top 20 of the World Match Race Rankings in the preceding 15 years
- (iii) competed at the Olympic Games during the preceding 16 years
- (iv) competed in the Volvo Ocean Race for the preceding 4 years, except for those that have exclusively competed in in-port races only.

#### 2.3 ADVERTISING

- (a) Pursuant to ISAF Regulation 20.5.2. competitor advertising is permitted as provided in ISAF Regulation 20.

#### 2.4 RULES OF SAILING

##### 2.4.1 ISAF RACING RULES OF SAILING

- (a) RRS 50.4 shall not apply
- (b) RRS 51 Movable Ballast is changed as follows: to allow canting keels and water ballast if declared on the rating certificate
- (c) RRS 52 Manual Power is changed as follows: to allow power assisted winches and rams if declared on the rating certificate

##### 2.4.2 CREW LIMITS

In alteration of the crew limits defined within the rating rule the following shall apply.

- (a) For Mini Maxi no additional person above the IRC limit is permitted, except as provided by the NOR of each event.
- (b) For the Maxi and Supermaxi Fleets there is no crew limit.

##### 2.4.3 SAIL LIMITATION

Unless differently prescribed by the NOR, where races are on consecutive days, the sails carried on board need not remain the same for the duration of the event, but sails need to remain the same for each day of racing and shall comply with the maximum numbers printed in the rating certificate.

For long costal course or offshore races the sail limitation may be indicated in the NOR.

#### 2.5 FLEET DEFINITION (SEE APPENDIX ALFA)

#### 2.6 ISAF OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS

##### 2.6.1 LIMITATIONS

- (a) Offshore Special Regulations for Race Category 3 with life raft shall apply, with the exception that for Category 3 race only jackstays shall be aboard but need not be fitted on deck at the discretion of the person in charge.
- (b) This requirement is increased to Category 1 for the Transatlantic Race
- (c) The Notice of Race may prescribe higher categories of the OSR or additional safety equipment

#### 2.6.2 DISPENSATIONS

- (a) Boats may apply for a dispensation to IMA which shall be recorded on the boats certificate. Dispensations are not generally given. Examples of where they will be considered are as follows:
  - i) to allow resolution of conflicts between the OSR and classification society rules
  - ii) to amend parts of the OSR because for the boats being over 24.08 metres some of the standards referenced are not fully appropriate
  - iii) where unique design features make alternative suggestions and conditions of use. (Such as bulwarks rather than lifelines)
- (b) Dispensation will state which OSR category they may apply to.
- (c) Any dispensation shall be given in consultation with ISAF Technical Department

#### 2.7 FITOUT

##### 2.7.1 RADIO AND ELECTRONICS

- (a) All types of electronic navigational aid, including radar, V.O.R., satellite etc. are permitted

#### 3.1 HELMSMAN DECLARATIONS

The Owner or the Owner's representative shall submit a declaration to the Organizing Authority on the Helmsman Application Form in the form of "Appendix Scoring" prior to the close of registration for each event:

- (a) the name and category of each helmsman and, where necessary, their Sailor Classification, ISAF Sailor ID and expiration date; and
- (b) the name of the Boat Captain when nominated as a Substitute helmsman; and
- (c) whether the Owner or Charter helmsman is replaced in the regatta or the entire series by a Substitute Helmsman; and
- (d) that all the provisions of the rule are complied with.

#### 3.2 SUB DIVISION

In each category the minimum number of boats to have a separate scoring shall be four (4). In the event that this minimum is not reached the categories will be scored together and the following penalties shall apply:

- (a) If Racing boats are racing with racing/cruising boats and will be scored together, the racing boat may have a penalty decided by the ATO with the approval of the Officers
- (b) Wally boats and non racing boats racing together will be scored with no penalty other than paragraph 2.2.2.2.

#### 3.3 MINI MAXI RACING DIVISION

- (a) If defined in the notice of race Mini Maxi Racing Category sailing as a separate scoring group with exception for a World or Continental

Championship, and there are boats entered where the helmsman is not an OWNER HELMSMAN or CHARTERER HELM, both non-owner drivers and owner drivers shall be allowed to race in the same fleet. However there will be a separate scoring for the qualifying owner-driven boats which needs to comply with 2.2.2 (Owner Driver Category) and a joint scoring for all boats regardless of helmsman, where the helmsman does not have to comply with 2.2.2 (Open Category). In each event the main trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the Owner Driver Category and a minor trophy awarded to the winner of the Open Category.

- (b) Scoring for the Owner Driver Category per race will be such that the placement score of any non-qualifying boat will be omitted in the scoring so that all qualifying boats in the category will receive sequential scores for the race in question.



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