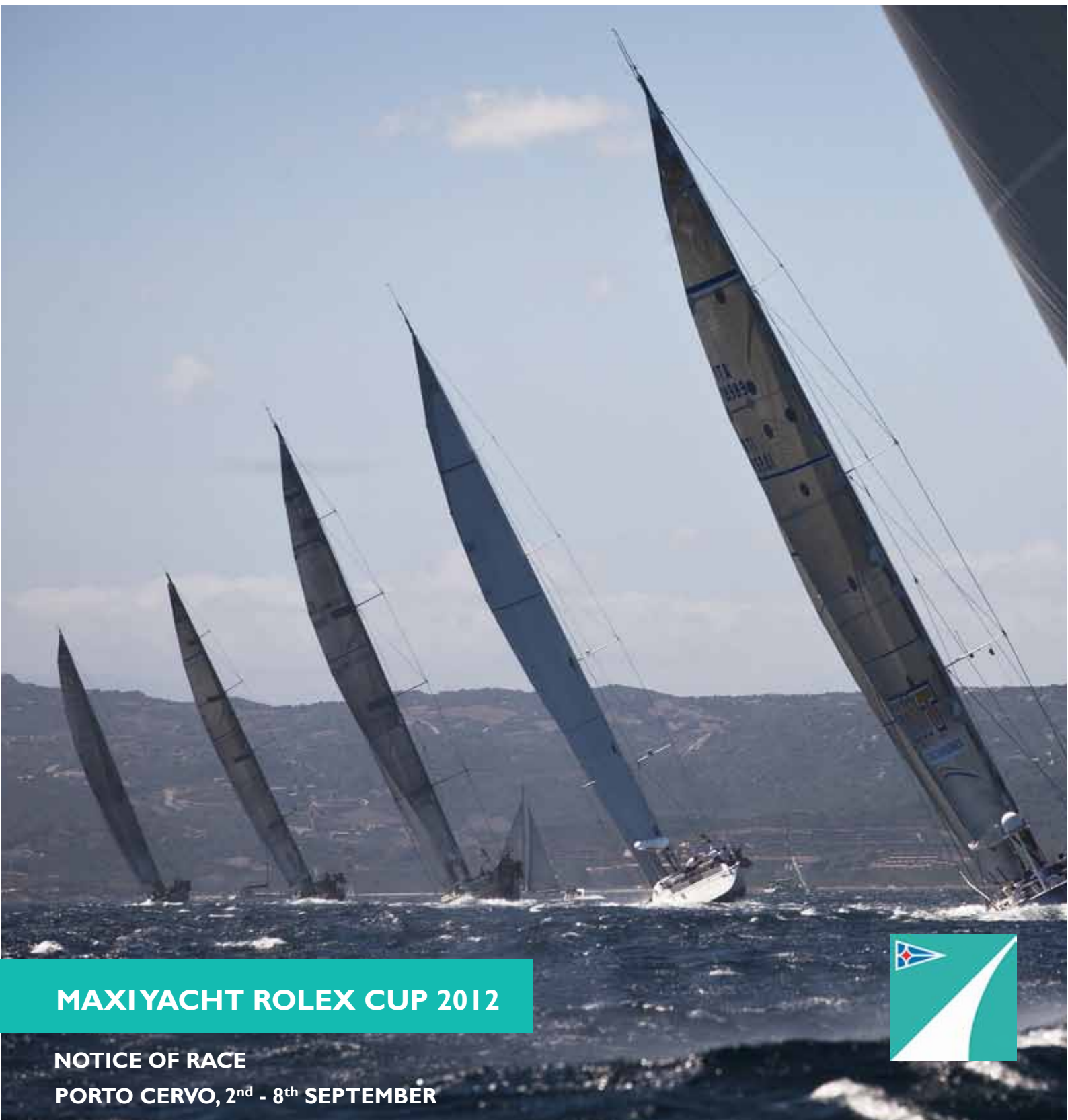




YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA



## MAXIYACHT ROLEX CUP 2012

NOTICE OF RACE

PORTO CERVO, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER





The regatta is organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) in conjunction with the International Maxi Association (I.M.A.).

The sponsor for the Regatta is Rolex SA, Geneva.

The Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup 2012 has been selected as the final series of the Rolex Annual IMA Championship and includes the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship 2012. A separate Notice of Race is dedicated to the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship.

## ORGANISING AUTHORITIES AND VENUE

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[www.internationalmaxiassociation.com](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com)

### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following:

- (a) The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing;
- (b) The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 ([www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2010Mo3081209-%5B7985%5D.pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2010Mo3081209-%5B7985%5D.pdf)) with life rafts compulsorily on board, except that jackstays are not required to be fitted on deck (amends OSR 4.04);
- (c) The 2012 IMA Class Rules are invoked. In addition Class Rule 3.1 is also invoked ([http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/pdf/2012\\_IMA\\_Class\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/pdf/2012_IMA_Class_Rules.pdf));
- (d) The 2011 Wally Class Rules and 2012 Amendments for the Wally Class if racing separately;
- (e) The 2012 IRC Rules Parts A, B and C shall apply. For the purposes of IRC rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) this regatta is on consecutive days, yet the sails carried on board need not remain the same for the duration of the event, but sails need to remain the same for each day. The day begins when the boat leaves the dock for the first time each day;
- (f) Notwithstanding anything in the above rules to the contrary, power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tabs and water ballast are permitted as long as each is declared on the IRC certificate;
- (g) IRC and ORC Rules (for the Super Maxi class only);
- (h) Exceptions to RRS 77 shall be granted by the Organizing Authority upon written request prior to the close of registration;
- (i) Where a trophy is available for a specific class, the class rules of that class shall apply to boats competing for that trophy (J Class, Wally Class).
- (l) The Sailing Instructions including Appendices Alpha (FIV Prescriptions), Bravo (Coastal and Islands Courses), Charlie (Windward/leeward courses) and Delta (decal placement diagram).

1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply except Part 6 of prescriptions of the FIV, which will apply only to Italian nationals. A copy of that prescription is in Appendix A.

1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.4 In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. This changes rule 63.7.

### 2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Boats shall display Event Advertising in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20 and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 Boats will be required to display the following throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of the last race of the regatta:

- (a) Sponsor's pennant on the backstay;
- (b) Sponsor's decal on each side of the bow.

2.3 In addition, boats will be required to display the event battle flag throughout the same period but only while moored.

2.4 The Organizing Authority will supply the pennant, decals and flag at registration.



2.5 The Organising Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on board video cameras for the official television production and/or a tracking system.

2.6 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising.

2.7 Boats are responsible to inform advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the Porto Cervo Marina area without the consent in writing of the Organizing Authority obtained before the start of the Regatta.

### 3. BOAT ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The regatta is open to the following yachts:

- Yachts of all categories as defined by the IMA Class Rules, except Mini Maxis (which will sail in a separate World Championship), with a valid IRC rating certificate; Super Maxi yachts shall have a valid ORCi rating certificate in addition to their IRC certificate;
- At the discretion of the Organizing Authority, IRC rated yachts with an LOA not less than 18.29 meters with a valid IRC rating certificate.

3.2 The fleet may be divided into categories based on the number of entries and type of yachts.

Potential categories include, based on IMA Class Rules: Racing category, Racing/Cruising category, Wally category and Super Maxi category.

The Super Maxi category shall also provide an ORCi Rating Certificate that will be processed at no cost by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.) provided that all the required measurements are available. For the Super Maxi Category, in each race, the scoring is obtained by the sum of the points assigned applying the IRC rating handicaps and the ORCi rating handicaps.

3.3 A minimum of four yachts are required for separate category scoring.

3.4 Categories may be further split into groups for additional trophies.

3.5 IRC rating certificates (and ORCi rating certificates for Super Maxi only) submitted with the entry form shall be issued by the appropriate Rating Authority. All valid rating certificates shall then be approved by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.) who may require full or partial re-measurement of any boat. For approval please apply to Mr. Peter Lawson Tel. +1 401 524 1335 Email: [technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com](mailto:technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com)

3.6 J Class boats will start and race with the Supermaxi boats and will have separate scoring and dedicated Trophies.

### 4. ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEE

4.1 Entries shall be made on the Entry Form available on the YCCS web site ([www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)) and shall be received by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, completed in full, not later than July 20<sup>th</sup> 2012, accompanied by a non-refundable entry fee of € 3,000. The entry fee for YCCS Members and IMA Members is reduced at €1,500.

4.2 The Entry Form shall be accompanied by a copy of the current IRC Endorsed rating certificate (and ORCi certificate for Super Maxi entrants).

If a boat elects to reconfigure the sail plan or change any other measurement values requiring a new rating certificate, the new IRC Endorsed certificate shall be received by the Organizing Authority, approved by the IMA ATO, not later than 18.00 hours on 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2012 unless exceptionally authorized by the Organizing Authority. Any changes on Rating Certificates after the 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2012 may only be as a result of inspection and controls.

4.3 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to accept entries after 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012. For late entries moorings are not guaranteed and mooring fees are not included in the entry fee.

4.4 The entry fee can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer. If the payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form. Please send the transfer payments to:

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda  
Banca di Credito Sardo - Filiale di Arzachena  
IBAN: IT92 D030 5984 9011 0000 0000 071 BIC - SWIFT: BCITIT3C

Please specify as object: Name of the event and Name of the boat



## 5. PROGRAMME

Sunday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Inspections, Registrations and Briefing
Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Race (s)
Tuesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Race (s)
Wednesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Race (s)
Thursday, 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Lay day or resail
Friday, 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Race (s)
Saturday, 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Race and Prize giving

The maximum number of races is seven.

For Maxis and Supermaxis coastal races only will be sailed.

For the Wally Class the schedule is on two days of windward – leeward racing with two races each day and three coastal races.

The Scheduled time of the first warning signal each day will be at 11.30 hours.

The Briefing will be held at the YCCS Clubhouse on Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 18.00 hours. The Organising Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the programme according to weather conditions or other unforeseen reasons.

The IMA Annual General Meeting will be held at the YCCS on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 18.00 hours.

## 6. MEASUREMENT AND CONTROLS

**6.1** Boats shall be at the disposal of the Measurement & Inspection Committee not later than 12.00 hours on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be subject to inspection and control, which may include measurement, equipment checks and weighing or determination of displacement by other means as approved by the IMA ATO. Boats may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta.

**6.2** Sail dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or by sail maker declaration.

**6.3** Hull and rig dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or with the approval of the ATO by declaration from the designer and/or builder.

**6.4** ORCi certificates for the Super Maxi category will be issued at no cost by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.) provided that all the required measurements are available.

**6.5** A list of the TCCs of the boats will be posted on the YCCS web site on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August. TCCs will be also posted on the Official Notice Board during the event. The Protest Time Limit for Rating Protests by boats, except relating to changes made during the regatta, will expire at 13.00 hours on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September.

## 7. REGISTRATION

Final Registration formalities shall be completed at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda's Race Office by 12.00 (noon) hours on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012, unless the O.A. agrees to a later time, which it will do only in the most exceptional circumstances.

At registration the following documents will be required:

- a. Acceptance of the Notice of Race as set out in the Entry Form;
- b. Disclaimer of Liability as set out in the Entry Form;
- c. Crew list and classification. All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF eligibility rules and IMA Owner/Driver Rule (Helmsman designation form to comply with IMA Class Rule 2.2.2.4);
- d. Media rights consent signed by all crewmembers;
- e. Italian Sailing Federations cards for Italian sailors.

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available for competitors upon final registration and published online on: [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com) and [www.internationalmaxiassociation.com](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com).

## 9. RACING AREA AND CHARTS

The racing area will be in North Eastern Sardinian waters. The following charts are recommended: nos. 42 - 43 - 323 - 324 - 325 - 910, Italian charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina. Charts can be ordered directly at the Istituto Idrografico della Marina - Passo dell'Osservatorio 4, 16134 Genoa, Italy Tel: +39 010 2463528 Fax: +39 010 261400.



## **10. PENALTIES**

**10.1** Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty except if the infraction takes place in the zone.

**10.2** For the Supermaxi fleet only rule 44.1 shall not apply and instead the Scoring Penalty as provided in Rule 44.3 shall apply except that Rule 44.3(c) is deleted and replaced with the following: "44.3 (c) The elapsed time for a boat that takes a Scoring Penalty shall be the elapsed time she would have been allocated without that penalty increased by 2%. If she takes more than one Scoring Penalty in a race, her elapsed time will be increased by 2% for each Scoring Penalty taken."

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

## **11. SCORING**

**11.1** The Low Point System RRS Appendix A shall apply except that one discard will be allowed if five or more races are sailed. Three races are required to constitute a series.

**11.2** For the Super Maxi Category, in each race, the scoring is obtained by the sum of the points assigned applying the IRC rating handicaps and the ORCi rating handicaps.

## **12. MOORINGS**

**12.1** The entry fee includes mooring fees from 10.00 hours on September 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10.00 hours on September 9<sup>th</sup> 2012, at Porto Cervo Marina or Port East provided that the completed entry form and entry fee are received by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda before 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

**12.2** Moorings are not guaranteed for late entries and mooring fees are not included with the entry fee.

**12.3** The cost of electricity and water consumption as well as mooring fees for late entries and/or additional periods, must be paid directly to the Marina Office by the participants.

**12.4** To reserve moorings prior and after the dates indicated in par.12.1 above and for tenders please apply directly to the Marina Office: Tel.+39/0789/905111 Fax +39/0789/91153 Email: [info@marinadiportocervo.com](mailto:info@marinadiportocervo.com). Early booking is recommended.

## **13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

**13.1** All boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on VHF channel 9, 16 and 72.

**13.2** RRS 41 is changed such that for safety purposes boat to boat communication is allowed and encouraged. A dedicated VHF channel shall be used for this purpose and will be advised at the Briefing. Boats shall maintain a constant watch on the safety channel when sailing in or near the racing area.

## **14. TROPHIES AND PRIZES**

**14.1** The Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup to the overall winner of each Category.

**14.2** IMA trophy and Special trophies to the winners of the IMA Championship.

**14.3** The YCCS Trophy for the top scored boat owned by YCCS Member.

**14.4** Additional trophies to the winner of any approved group within each category.

## **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**15.1** Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009/2012, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their boat, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons or their belongings, to themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility Rolex S.A., the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and the International Maxi Association and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behaviour and dress of the boat's crew, representatives and guests.

**15.2** Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

**15.3** In any case, competitors agree that the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, the International Maxi Association, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel or property.

**15.4** As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.



## **16. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with adequate cover taking into account the value of the boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident.

## **17. MEDIA RIGHTS**

**17.1** Competitors grant Rolex S.A. and the Organizing Authority, including the International Maxi Association, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' names and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

**17.2** As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

## **18. PRESS OFFICE**

Media representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact:  
Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Press Office  
07021 Porto Cervo (OT) – Italy  
Tel. +39 0789 902200 - Fax +39 0789 91213 Email: [pressoffice@yccs.it](mailto:pressoffice@yccs.it)

## **19. SOCIAL EVENTS**

The preliminary social programme for the event is as follows:

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September  
YCCS Welcome Reception

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September  
IMA Dinner

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September  
Rolex Dinner

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
Rolex Crew Party

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Final Prize Giving

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please check the event web site: [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com).

## **APPENDIX A FIV PRESCRIPTION**

### **PART 6- ENTRY AND QUALIFICATION**

#### **Rule 75 – ENTERING A RACE**

Prescription to Rule 75.2

The Italian Sailing Federation prescribes: current FIV regulations are to be followed when accepting entries; the competitors must hold a valid and current FIV Membership and the owners of boats of recognized classes, including offshore must also hold a valid and current FIV Membership, even if they are not sailing the race.