



# ROLEX VOLCANO RACE 2011

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

Gaeta / Capri, Italy

Tuesday 24th - Saturday 28th May



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The Rolex Volcano Race will take participants on a race through history. Beginning in Gaeta, a medieval town south of Rome, crews will race past the Pontine Islands, across the Tyrrhenian Sea and towards the Aeolian Islands a volcanic archipelago just north of Sicily, before heading north to finish the race in Capri, the small and unique island that overlook the blue water of the Mediterranean, with Naples and Vesuvius looming in the distance. The course continues through the Aeolian Islands (Stromboli, Vulcano and Alicudi) that are listed as UNESCO World Heritage and are named after the Greek demigod Aeolus.

Known as the "Keeper of the Winds" in the Odyssey, Aeolus graciously gave Ulysses a leather bag of captured winds and sent him and his crew home towards Ithaca with a gentle west wind. Just as Ithaca came into sight on the horizon, and while Ulysses slept, his crew foolishly opened the bag expecting to find gold. Instead they released the winds in a fury that blew their ship all the way back to Aeolus, who refused to help the men any further. The winner of the Rolex Volcano Race will likely be the crew that treats Aeolus' gift with the greatest respect.

GAETA



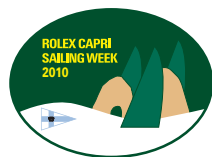


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## 1 - ORGANISATION

The regatta will be organized by the International Maxi Association ( IMA ) in conjunction with the Yacht Club Gaeta EVS and the Yacht Club Capri (YCC ).

The regatta is part of the Rolex Capri Sailing Week and of the IMA Annual Championship 2011.

The title sponsor of the Regatta is Rolex.

## 2 - RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

- the rules as defined by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing ( RRS 2009-2012 )
- the IMA rules 2011
- the Notice of Race
- the Sailing Instructions

No National Authority prescriptions shall apply except that every competitor shall comply with his National Authority rules.

The regatta is considered as a Category "C", in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

Safety Equipment category 3 with life raft compulsory on board, but subject to the following amendments:

- red parachute flares are not required (amends OSR 4.23)
- jackstays are not required (amends OSR 4.04)

The official language for the regatta is English.

## 3 - ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all the Maxi Boats as defined in the IMA Rules 2011, with a valid IRC rating certificate endorsed by the IMA Technical Office.

## 4 - ENTRIES

Entries shall be transmitted to the IMA Race Secretariat by filling the Entry Form for the event, before March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

There is no Entry Fee for IMA members. Other maxi boats shall transmit a non refundable entry fee of Euro 2.000.

## 5 - SCHEDULE

The Warning Signal will be posted at 15.00 hours on Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The Prize Giving Ceremony will take place in Capri on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

## 6 - COURSE

The course for about 400 n.m. is indicated in the Annex Alfa. Details of the course will be included in the Sailing Instructions

## 7 - SCORING

There will be an overall IRC score for all the maxi fleet and separate scoring for the IMA categories where there are at least four (4) competitors.

The assignment of the entries to one or the other IMA category will be done by the IMA Technical Office with reference to IMA Racing Rules.

## 8 - TROPHIES AND PRIZES

There will be a perpetual Trophy and replica to the first boat on the finishing line.

A trophy will be awarded to the best classified boat in IRC handicap.

IMA prizes for the winner, in corrected time, for each category where there are at least four (4) competitors.







## **9 - TRACKING SYSTEM**

The Organizing Authority will provide, free of charge, an automatic position reporting system which will be available on the IMA website for competitors and media.

## **10 - LOGISTIC**

Logistic information will be provided in the Notice of Race. Mooring spaces and containers spaces will be provided in the Flavio Gioia Base Nautica of Gaeta.

Free moorings are available in Gaeta starting from Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May and in Capri from the arrival until Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

Mini Maxi mooring will be available at the Marina Grande in Capri and mooring buoys will be available at Marina Grande for Maxis."

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**ANNEX ALPHA**















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