



ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB

# ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE

## NOTICE OF RACE

**36TH EDITION** Saturday 17th October 2015







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# WELCOME TO THE ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE 2015

**The Rolex Middle Sea Race organized by the Royal Malta Yacht Club is scheduled to start on the 17th October 2015 and this will be the 36th edition of this annual Mediterranean classic.**

The race has become renowned around the sailing world as an exciting 600 nautical mile offshore race which is on every offshore sailor's wish list. The scenic yet challenging course around beautiful islands, together with the activities around the race which include the now legendary crew party, make it an enjoyable and unique sailing experience.

The race has grown steadily in recent years and another impressive fleet including some of the latest and fastest racing yachts, is expected to line up for the spectacular start in the historic Grand Harbour.

The Royal Malta Yacht Club is getting ready to provide another truly memorable event and I take this opportunity to sincerely thank Rolex for their continued support.

On behalf of the Royal Malta Yacht Club I look forward to welcoming you all in October.

**Godwin Zammit**  
Commodore



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**The Rolex Middle Sea Race is organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club under the auspices of the Maltese and Italian Sailing Federations, and will start on the 17th October 2015. The Race is held in association with the Royal Ocean Racing Club and counts for the RORC Season's Points Championship. The Rolex Middle Sea Race 2015 forms part of the Atlantic Ocean Racing Series together with the RORC Caribbean 600 Race, The Transatlantic Race 2015 from Newport to Lizard and the Rolex Fastnet Race.**

## 1. GENERAL

**1.1** The Organising Authority referred to in this Notice of Race is the Royal Malta Yacht Club.

**1.2** The Rolex Middle Sea Race will be governed by the following rules:

**1.2.1** The Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016 of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF)

**1.2.2** The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2014-2015 for Category 2 Races

**1.2.3** IRC Rule 2015, parts A, B and C

**1.2.4** ORC Rating Systems Rules for ORC International and ORC Club and the International Measurement System (IMS) 2015

**1.2.5** The rules and regulations for any one design class for which there is an eligible boat entered in the race

**1.2.6** MOCRA Rating Rule 2015

**1.2.7** This Notice of Race (NoR)

**1.2.8** The Sailing Instructions (SI) issued by the Organising Authority and any amendments thereto.

**1.2.9** Between the official times for sunset and sunrise, the right of way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall prevail over the Rules of RRS Part 2.

**1.2.10** In the event of conflict between the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. The Sailing Instructions may invoke rule changes as allowed for in RRS Rule 86.

**1.3** Sailing Instructions issued by the Organising Authority will be made available at the Race Office to paid up and confirmed entries by **Monday 12th October 2015**.

**1.4** The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race until not later than 31st August 2015. These changes will be sent to owners whose entries have already been accepted and posted on the Event Website: **[www.rolexmiddlesearace.com](http://www.rolexmiddlesearace.com)**

**1.5** The Organising Authority will appoint an International Jury as per RRS Appendix N. The decisions of the International Jury will be final as allowed for in RRS Rule 70.5.

**1.6** By making an application for entry in the race, the owner of a boat acknowledges that the various terms of this Notice of Race including any amendments thereto, as well as all the rules and regulations referred to in paragraph 1 of this Notice of Race and in the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone", and to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02.1 which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner, or owner's representative...".

**1.7** Prior to the Rolex Middle Sea Race itself, there shall be an inshore coastal race scored under IRC.





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## 2. ELIGIBILITY

**2.1** The Rolex Middle Sea Race is open to offshore boats that fully satisfy the requirements of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2014-2015 for Category 2 races.

**2.2** Boats shall be built to a standard that complies with the requirements of Section 3 of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2014-2015.

**2.3** Boats must satisfy the minimum STIX and AVS values to comply with the stability requirements of ISO 12217-2 for ISO design category A.

**2.4** Where it is not possible for a yacht to demonstrate compliance with ISO 12217-2 a boat will be considered eligible if it has an SSS base value of at least 28 as stated on its IRC rating certificate or a Stability Index of at least 110 as stated on its ORC certificate. Boats participating in more than one Category need only satisfy one of these criteria.

**2.5** Boats shall have a hull length of not less than 9 metres. A boat's hull length shall be taken as defined by IRC and ORC Rules and stated in its rating certificate.

**2.6** The Owner or Charterer of a participating boat shall hold current adequate marine legal liability insurance cover with respect to the boat, valid when racing and will ensure that all crewmembers are aware of the importance of effecting appropriate personal insurance.

**2.7** The Entrant of each participating boat shall be a member of a yacht club affiliated with its National Authority.

**2.8** All Crew members shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code. All crew members shall be at least 14 years of age by the 30th September 2015. Any crew member still under the age of 18 by the day before the start of the race shall supply the written consent of a parent or legal guardian, which consent shall be attached to the crew list submitted on registration before the race.

**2.9** The Skipper of each participating boat shall ensure that there is adequate knowledge and experience among his crew to take part in a Category 2 offshore race. The Skipper and at least half the members of the crew shall have previously taken part in an offshore race of extended duration. At least 30%, but not less than two members of the crew including the skipper shall have undergone training in survival at sea as required by OSR 6.01. Any training course covering the topics included in OSR 6.02 and 6.03 given by suitably qualified and experienced instructors will be considered as satisfying this requirement. As required by OSR 6.05.2 at least one crewmember should be familiar with the management of medical emergencies that may occur at sea and hold a qualification in First Aid or be a practicing medical practitioner. The minimum number of persons on a boat shall be two in the double handed class.

**2.10** Boats must have a current and valid rating certificate for the rating Categories they enter for and must comply in all respects with that rating certificate.



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## 3. CATEGORIES AND CLASSES

### 3.1 IRC CATEGORY

Boats having a current and valid IRC rating certificate may enter in the IRC Category. This Category will be divided into classes as follows:

- IRC Class 1 - TCC greater than 1.400
- IRC Class 2 - TCC from 1.276 to 1.400
- IRC Class 3 - TCC from 1.176 to 1.275
- IRC Class 4 - TCC from 1.101 to 1.175
- IRC Class 5 - TCC from 1.051 to 1.100
- IRC Class 6 - TCC less than 1.051

### 3.2 ORC CATEGORY

Boats having a current and valid ORC International or ORC Club rating certificate may enter the ORC Category. This Category will be divided into classes as follows:

- ORC Class 1 - GPH less than 450.1
- ORC Class 2 - GPH from 505.0 to 450.1
- ORC Class 3 - GPH from 545.0 to 505.1
- ORC Class 4 - GPH from 575.0 to 545.1
- ORC Class 5 - GPH from 600.0 to 575.1
- ORC Class 6 - GPH greater than 600

### 3.3 OTHER CLASSES

Subject to the participation of a sufficient number of entries, the following additional classes may be established:

**3.3.1** Double Handed Class for boats sailed by two people only, within the IRC Category. The Skipper of an entry in this class shall ensure that he and his crew have adequate knowledge and experience to sail a category 2 race double handed and that the boat is suitably set up for double handed racing. For this class both persons shall have undergone training in survival at sea as required by OSR 6.01.

**3.3.2** Offshore One Design Classes for boats complying with one design rules for their class.

### 3.4 MULTIHULL CATEGORY

Multihulls having a current and valid MOCRA rating certificate may enter the Multihull Category.

### 3.5 SUPERMAXI CLASS

Monohulls whose hull length exceeds 30.5m may be scored in a separate Supermaxi Class.

**3.6** The formation of any of the above categories or classes is at the discretion of the Organising Authority and subject to a minimum of four entries. However, should there be less than four entries in a particular class, the Organising Authority reserves the right to include these entries within another class or, at the discretion of the Organising Authority, a class may be formed with less than four entries. Prospective participants in particular classes are encouraged to promote their class by arranging group entries to ensure the minimum number required. The Organising Authority reserves the right to accept entries or classes that are not listed above.

**3.7** Should the rating bands for the division of the IRC and ORC Categories into classes given in 3.1 and 3.2 prove to be manifestly unsuitable to the composition of the fleet of entries, the Organising Authority reserves the right to adjust these bands as it deems appropriate.

**3.8** Monohulls may enter in more than one category.

**3.9** The Coastal Race shall only have an IRC Category for boats whose hull length is not less than 9 metres and not greater than 30.5 metres.



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## 4. COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS

**4.1** Skippers shall be required to sign a declaration that they are in full compliance with the requirements of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2014-2015 for Category 2 races including the training requirements of OSR 6.01. A checklist will be provided by the Organising Authority to assist Skippers in complying with these regulations.

**4.2** Skippers should ensure that their boat is in full compliance with its rating certificate and class rules as applicable.

**4.3** Boats may be inspected before the race for compliance with the requirements of safety as well as measurement and rating. For this purpose, boats are to be made available for Scrutineering at the boat's assigned berth during the period from Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October 2015. It is mandatory that the Skipper or his authorised representative be present at the time of inspection. Further inspections may be carried out to any boat after the race.

## 5. TRACKING SYSTEM

An electronic tracking system may be used to track the position of participating boats during the race and participants will be required to allow the installation of tracking beacons on their boats. The Organising Authority may use the information received from the system for media coverage of the race as well as for technical and safety purposes. Participants shall be responsible for the beacon while on board and shall return it to the Race Office after the race. On registration, participants will be required to give a credit card number from which account the Organising Authority may charge the sum of €900 if the beacon is not returned.

## 6. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

**6.1** An application for entry should be made by using the on line entry form posted on the Event Website **www.rolexmiddlesearace.com**. Alternatively an application may be made on a copy of the entry form included with this Notice of Race which may be sent by mail to the Royal Malta Yacht Club or by e-mail to **info@rmyc.org**. Prospective competitors are urged to make their application for entry early and should submit with their application the following documentation:

**6.1.1** Copies of Measurement and Rating Certificates for rating Categories entered.

**6.1.2** Verification of compliance with the hull construction and stability requirements of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (2014-2015) 3.03, 3.04 and Appendix M for category 2 races.

**6.1.3** Colour photograph, preferably digital, of boat under sail.

**6.2** Following the submission of the documentation required in 6.1, the Organising Authority will notify the entrant of his acceptance and the entry must then be confirmed by **not later than the 2nd October 2015** by the payment of the applicable entry fees and submitting the following additional documentation:

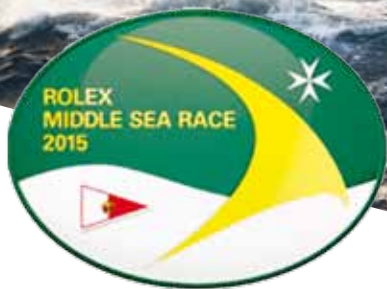
**6.2.1** Updated copies of Measurement and Rating Certificates for rating Categories entered if amended after the issue of the certificate submitted with the application for entry.

**6.2.2** Certificate of insurance in English with details of the cover and the insurer.

**6.2.3** EPIRB number, Call Sign and MMSI number where available.

**6.3** On arrival in Malta for the race the Skipper must complete the registration process at the Race Office which includes the submission of a crew list with next of kin details in the form supplied by the Organising Authority. The Skipper and all the crew will also be required to sign





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a Disclaimer of Liability and a Media Release and Image Rights Waiver, as supplied by the Organising Authority. A copy of all race documents, schedule of events and other information will be provided by the Organising Authority on registration.

**6.4** At the discretion of the Organising Authority, an entry may be accepted after the 2nd October and shall be required to pay the specified late entry fee. No further entries will be accepted after the 9th October. A boat that has entered in time for one rating Category, may at the discretion of the Organising Authority, be accepted to enter an additional Category after the 2nd October and may be required to pay 25% of the specified late entry fee.

**6.5** No applications for changes to rating certificates shall be allowed after the 9th October except to correct a genuine error, to make corrections as a result of a rating protest before the start of the race, or in the case of ORC certificates to correct crew weight before the start of the race. A boat that has been accepted to enter a second rating Category as a late entry and does not have a rating certificate for that Category, may apply for a rating certificate for the second Category up to the 9th October.

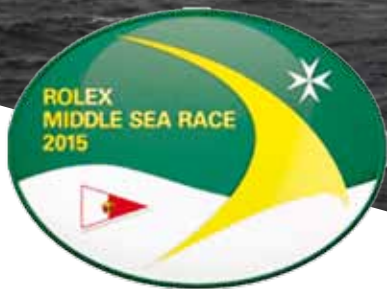
**6.6** An Entry may be cancelled by advising the Organising Authority. Cancellations made before the 2nd October will be eligible for a full refund of the race entry fee. Cancellations made after this date will be eligible for a refund of 50% of the race entry fee. No refund will be given if an Entrant fails to notify the Organising Authority of cancellation by the 16th October 2015.

**6.7** The Entrant is the person considered responsible for the entry and shall be the person to appear in connection with the entry, together with the boat name, on any documentation pertaining to the event, including the results.

**6.8** The nationality of the entry shall be that country of which the Entrant is a citizen and shall be declared when making the entry.

**6.9** The submission of documents requested by the Organising Authority does not exonerate the Entrant from any of his responsibilities and receipt by the Organising Authority shall not imply verification of the validity or adequacy of the documents submitted to it.





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## 7. FEES

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

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

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

Cheques payable to the **Royal Malta Yacht Club**

Bank transfers to:  
HSBC Bank Malta plc  
196, The Strand, Gzira.  
Tel: (+356) 2133 5499, (+356) 2380 2380;  
Fax: (+356) 2134 0788

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

Credit Card: VISA, & MASTERCARD accepted.

Payment to be authorised in writing quoting card number, name on card, expiry date and ccv number.

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

Royal Malta Yacht Club  
Ta' Xbiex Seafront, Ta' Xbiex XBX 1028, Malta.  
Tel: +356 21333109  
Email: [info@rmypc.org](mailto:info@rmypc.org)  
[www.rmypc.org](http://www.rmypc.org)  
[www.rolexmiddlesearace.com](http://www.rolexmiddlesearace.com)

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



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## 8. SCHEDULE OF EVENT

### MONDAY 12TH TO THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER

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

### MONDAY 12TH TO FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER

Scrutineering  
(By arrangement with Safety Inspectors)

### WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER

Coastal Race (IRC only)  
(10:00 start)

### THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER

Crew Party  
(20:00)

### FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER

Skippers' reception and Briefing  
(18:00)

### SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER

Start Rolex Middle Sea Race  
(11:00)

### SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER

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

## 9. COURSES

### 9.1 ROLEX COASTAL RACE

Coastal or inshore race around the Maltese Islands.

### 9.2 ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE

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

## 10. SCORING

**10.1** The IRC Category shall be scored on corrected time by TCC.

**10.2** The ORC Category shall be scored on corrected time using Performance Line Scoring for Offshore courses.

**10.3** The Multihull Category shall be scored on corrected time using the MOCRA TCF.

**10.4** The Supermaxi Class will be scored on corrected time using their IRC TCC.









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## 11. CHANGES TO RULES

**11.1** The use of an autopilot and power winches is permitted. This changes ISAF RRS Rule 52.

**11.2** In the IRC Category, Rule 11.2 applies and a boat may carry one more spinnaker than the number stated in its IRC certificate. This does not apply to the coastal race.

**11.3** In the ORC Category, there shall be no limit on the number of rated headsails and spinnakers that may be carried in the race. However, boats participating in both rating Categories shall be limited to the sails they are allowed in the IRC Category.

**11.4** A boat may carry one spare mainsail which may only be used while racing as a genuine replacement if during the race the mainsail the boat started the race with becomes damaged beyond repair and not for the purpose of improved performance. The first mainsail may not thereafter be repaired and re-used while racing. In the case that the spare mainsail is used the substitution shall be declared in the Skipper's race declaration describing the circumstances and giving the reasons for its use. The skipper may be required to produce the damaged mainsail for inspection by the Race Committee. This does not apply to the coastal race.

**11.5** In the IRC Category there shall be no limit on crew weight. Boats taking part in both ORC and IRC Categories shall remain limited to the crew weight stated on their ORC certificate. This changes IRC rule 22.4.2."

**11.6** Valid rating certificates shall be produced by the due dates specified in this Notice of Race. This changes ISAF RRS Rule 78.2.

## 12. COMMUNICATIONS

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

## 13. BRIEFING

### 13.1 WEATHER BRIEFING

A Weather Briefing will be held for competitors on the evening of Friday 16th October at 18:00.

### 13.2 RACE BRIEFING

A Race Briefing will be held immediately after the Weather Briefing.

### 13.3 ATTENDANCE

Two crew members of a boat intending to compete in the Rolex Middle Sea Race should attend the whole of the Weather Briefing and the Race Briefing. It is strongly recommended that these briefings be attended by the Skipper and the Navigator.





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## 14. ADVERTISING

**14.1** Boats taking part in any class in the event may display advertising as permitted by their class in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code.

**14.2** Competitors will be required to display advertising for the event sponsor in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.1. The Organising Authority requires all competitors to display bow decals and to hoist a sponsor's pennant for the duration of the race and, whilst in harbour for the period of free berthing, boats are to fly the event flag. The decals, the pennant and the flag will be provided by the Organising Authority.

## 15. PRIZES

### 15.1 COASTAL RACE

**15.1.1** For the Coastal Race, it is intended to award first, second and third prizes in each class where the number of entries is six or more boats and first and second prizes where there are only five or less boats in a class.

**15.1.2** The Malta Rolex Cup will be presented to the overall winner on corrected time.

### 15.2 ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE

**15.2.1** A Rolex Timepiece will be awarded to the first monohull boat to finish the race and to the overall winner on corrected time in the IRC Category.

**15.2.2** It is also intended to award first, second and third prizes in each class where the number of entries is six or more boats and first and second prizes where there are only five or less boats in a class.

**15.2.3** The Rolex Middle Sea Race Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on corrected time of the IRC Category.

**15.2.4** The Boccale del Mediterraneo Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner on corrected time of the ORC Category.

**15.2.5** The RLR Trophy will be awarded to the first monohull boat to finish the race.

**15.2.6** The John Ripard Trophy will be awarded to the monohull boat that breaks the course record established in 2007 by 'Rambler'. The course record is 47hrs 55mins 03secs, over a distance of 606 miles. The course record will be decided by taking the highest average speed over the particular course sailed and the John Ripard Trophy will be awarded if this average speed is greater than 12.64 knots established in 2007.

**15.2.7** The FIV Trophy will be awarded to the first Italian Boat on corrected time in the ORC Category.

**15.2.8** The Transport Malta Trophy will be awarded to the first boat to finish the race having a Maltese citizen as Skipper and the majority of crew being Maltese.

**15.2.9** The Malta Tourism Authority Trophy will be awarded to the first foreign boat to finish the race.

**15.2.10** The Teddy Borg Trophies will be awarded to the first boat on corrected time in each of the IRC and ORC Categories, having a Maltese citizen as Skipper and the majority of crew being Maltese.

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

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



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

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

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

**15.2.16** For the purposes of assigning the trophies listed in 15.2, other than the prizes being awarded for each class, each category will be considered as one class with overall results. The Royal Malta Yacht Club will retain possession of these main trophies and all winning Skippers will be awarded a keepsake, which in the case of the Rolex Middle Sea Race Trophy will be a miniature of the trophy itself.

**15.2.17** For the purpose of assigning the FIV trophy, the Nationality of a boat will be the nationality of the entry referred to in 6.8.

## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

I agree to be bound by International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013/2016, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. I agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE 2015, her rigging, the safety equipment on board and the competence, behaviour and dress of her crew is that of the Entrant/Charterer of the yacht.

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

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

In any case, I agree that the Organising Authority, ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB, its servants, agents and sponsors (in particular but not only ROLEX SA and affiliated companies) and their representatives have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.





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## 17. MEDIA RELEASE AND IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

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

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

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

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

## 18. BERTHING

Berthing will be provided for participating boats at no additional cost by the Royal Malta Yacht Club at marinas in Marsamxett Harbour and Grand Harbour, at the Grand Hotel Excelsior, at the RMYC or at any other location as necessary from Sunday 11th October until Sunday 25th October 2015. Berths will be allocated to competing boats by the RMYC and owners are to contact the club for further information. The use of the berths opposite the RMYC is subject to weather conditions and boats may need to be relocated in adverse conditions. Owners of boats making use of these berths do so at their own risk and responsibility.

For further information contact the RMYC marinas on:  
Royal Malta Yacht Club  
Tel: (+356) 2133 3109  
Email: [info@rmyc.org](mailto:info@rmyc.org)  
website: [www.rolexmiddlesearace.com](http://www.rolexmiddlesearace.com); [www.rmyc.org](http://www.rmyc.org)









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## 19. TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION

Travel and accommodation arrangements may be made for crewmembers and guests wishing to join the event by contacting the Official Travel Agency:

**UNITED TRAVEL GROUP**

Tel: (+356) 2132 2545

Email: [info@unitedtravel.com.mt](mailto:info@unitedtravel.com.mt)

Accommodation may also be booked at:

**GRAND HOTEL EXCELSIOR**

Tel: (+356) 2125 0520

Email: [info@excelsior.com.mt](mailto:info@excelsior.com.mt)

website: [www.excelsior.com.mt](http://www.excelsior.com.mt)

## 20. BOAT YARD SERVICES

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

## 21. MEDIA

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

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

**THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

Rolex Middle Sea Race

Royal Malta Yacht Club

Ta' Xbiex Seafront,

Ta' Xbiex, XBX 1028

Malta.

Tel: (+356) 2133 3109

Email: [info@rmyc.org](mailto:info@rmyc.org)

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## TIMELINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

	Last Date	Requirement	Documents to be submitted	Notice of Race Clause
Application for Entry	Open as of January 2015	Electronic Entry Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verification of Hull Construction Standard [Copy]</li> <li>• Rating Certificates [Copy]</li> <li>• Colour Image [electronic]</li> </ul>	6.1
Deadline for confirmation of entry	2nd October 2015	Payment of Entry Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verification of Hull Construction Standard</li> <li>• Rating Certificates</li> <li>• Insurance Certificate in English</li> <li>• EPIRB No &amp; MMSI No.</li> <li>• Crew list</li> <li>• Next of Kin form</li> </ul>	6.1 6.2. 6.2.1 6.2.2
Extended deadline for entry at discretion of OA and subject to late entry fee	9th October 2015	Payment deadline Late entry €250  Payment of 25% Late Rating fee on additional cert.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All documentation above.</li> <li>• Rating Certificate</li> </ul>	6.4 6.4
Registration with Race Office at RMYC	16th October 2015 11:00hrs	Signature of documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crew List</li> <li>• Next of Kin form</li> <li>• Liability Disclaimer</li> <li>• Media Release</li> <li>• Image rights waiver</li> </ul>	6.3





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## ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE TROPHY WINNERS

1968	<b>Josian</b>	J. Ripard	Malta
1969	<b>Surprise</b>	M. Violati	Italy
1970	<b>Tikka</b>	J. Ripard	Malta
1971	<b>Comet</b>	C. Ricci	Italy
1972	<b>Genoeffa</b>	M. Ruggiero Bianchi	Italy
1973	<b>Aura</b>	W. Stenhouse	USA
1974	<b>Mandrake</b>	G. Carriero	Italy
1975	<b>Valentina</b>	E. Masini	Italy
1976	<b>Sumbta IV</b>	M. Boris	Italy
1977	<b>Bembow</b>	E. Recchi	Italy
1978	<b>Nita IV</b>	N. Mazzaferro	Italy
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1980	<b>Nita IV</b>	N. Mazzaferro	Italy
1981	<b>Antares</b>	P. English	France
1982	<b>Levantades</b>	G. Diano	Italy
1983	<b>Saudade</b>	A. Buell	Germany
1996	<b>Bigfoot</b>	C. Ripard	Malta
1997	<b>Albablu</b>	R. Irrera	Italy
1998	<b>Leo Pigier</b>	A. Ursino	Italy
1999	<b>Aspirin Astro 2K</b>	R. Wilhelm	Austria
2000	<b>Zephyrus IV</b>	R. McNeil	USA
2001	<b>Strait Dealer</b>	C. Ripard	Malta
2002	<b>Market Wizard (Jammin)</b>	J. Ripard Jr./ A. Calascione	Malta
2003	<b>Nokia (Enigma of London)</b>	C. Dunstone	UK

2004	<b>Optimum III</b>	N. Lazos / P. Livas	Greece
2005	<b>Atalanta II</b>	C. Puri Negri	Italy
2006	<b>Morning Glory</b>	H. Plattner	Germany
2007	<b>Rambler</b>	G. David	USA
2008	<b>Spirit of Ad Hoc</b>	T. Bouchard	France
2009	<b>Alegre</b>	A. Soriano	UK
2010	<b>Lucky</b>	B. Ehrhart	USA
2011	<b>Artie</b>	L. Satariano	Malta
2012	<b>Hi Fidelity</b>	E. de Villiers	South Africa
2013	<b>B 2</b>	M. Galli	Italy
2014	<b>Artie</b>	L. Satariano	Malta



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## ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE LINE HONOURS (MONOHULLS)

1968	<b>Stormvogel</b>	C. Bruynzeel	Holland
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1970	<b>Stella Polare</b>	M. Di Giovanni	Malta
1971	<b>Penduik III</b>	E. Tabarly	France
1972	<b>Mania</b>	P. Goulandris	Greece
1973	<b>War Baby</b>	W. Brown	Bermuda
1974	<b>Entreara II</b>	G. Moratti	Italy
1975	<b>Benbow</b>	E. Recchi	Italy
1976	<b>Benbow</b>	E. Recchi	Italy
1977	<b>Bembow</b>	E. Recchi	Italy
1978	<b>Mistress Quickly</b>	W. Whitehouse Vaux	Bermuda
1979	<b>Rumegal</b>	R. Gardini	Italy
1980	<b>Bumblebee IV</b>	J. Kahlbetzer	Austria
1981	<b>Antares</b>	P. English	France
1982	<b>Nirvana</b>	M. Green	USA
1983	<b>Saudade</b>	A. Buell	Germany
1996	<b>Alexia B</b>	A. Roemmers	Argentina
1997	<b>Sagamore</b>	J. Dolan	USA
1998	<b>Riviera di Rimini</b>	G. Benvenuti	Italy
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2000	<b>Zephyrus IV</b>	R. McNeil	USA
2001	<b>Strait Dealer</b>	C. Ripard	Malta
2002	<b>Nautor Challenge</b>	S. Spangaro	Italy
2003	<b>Alfa Romeo (Shockwave)</b>	N. Crichton	New Zealand

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2007	<b>Rambler</b>	G. David	USA
2008	<b>Alegre</b>	A. Soriano	UK
2009	<b>ICAP Leopard</b>	M. Slade	UK
2010	<b>Esimit Europa 2</b>	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2011	<b>Esimit Europa 2</b>	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2012	<b>Esimit Europa 2</b>	I. Simcic	Slovenia
2013	<b>Morning Glory</b>	K. Plattner	Germany
2014	<b>Esimit Europa 2</b>	I. Simcic	Slovenia







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## APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

Boat Name:

Sail Number:

LOA:

Beam:

Draft:

Model:

Hull Colour:

Designer:

Builder:

Year Built:

Home Port:

Port of  
Registration:

IRC: TCC  SSS  ORC: GPH  SI

2 HANDED: OOC  Specify Class \_\_\_\_\_

MULTIHULL: MOCRA TCF

This application for entry form must be accompanied by:

- Copies of Measurement and Rating Certificates for Categories entered
- Verification of Hull Construction Standard as required by 6.1.2 of the Notice of Race.
- Colour photograph, preferably digital, of boat under sail

Entrant Name:

Mail Address:

Phone No.:

Mobile No.:

Email:

Cell Phones on board  
during race:

Nationality:

Yacht Club:

Skipper:

No. of crew inc.  
skipper:

Owner (if different  
from entrant):

For acceptance of the Notice of Race and the Rules and Regulations quoted therein:

Name:

Signature:

Date:

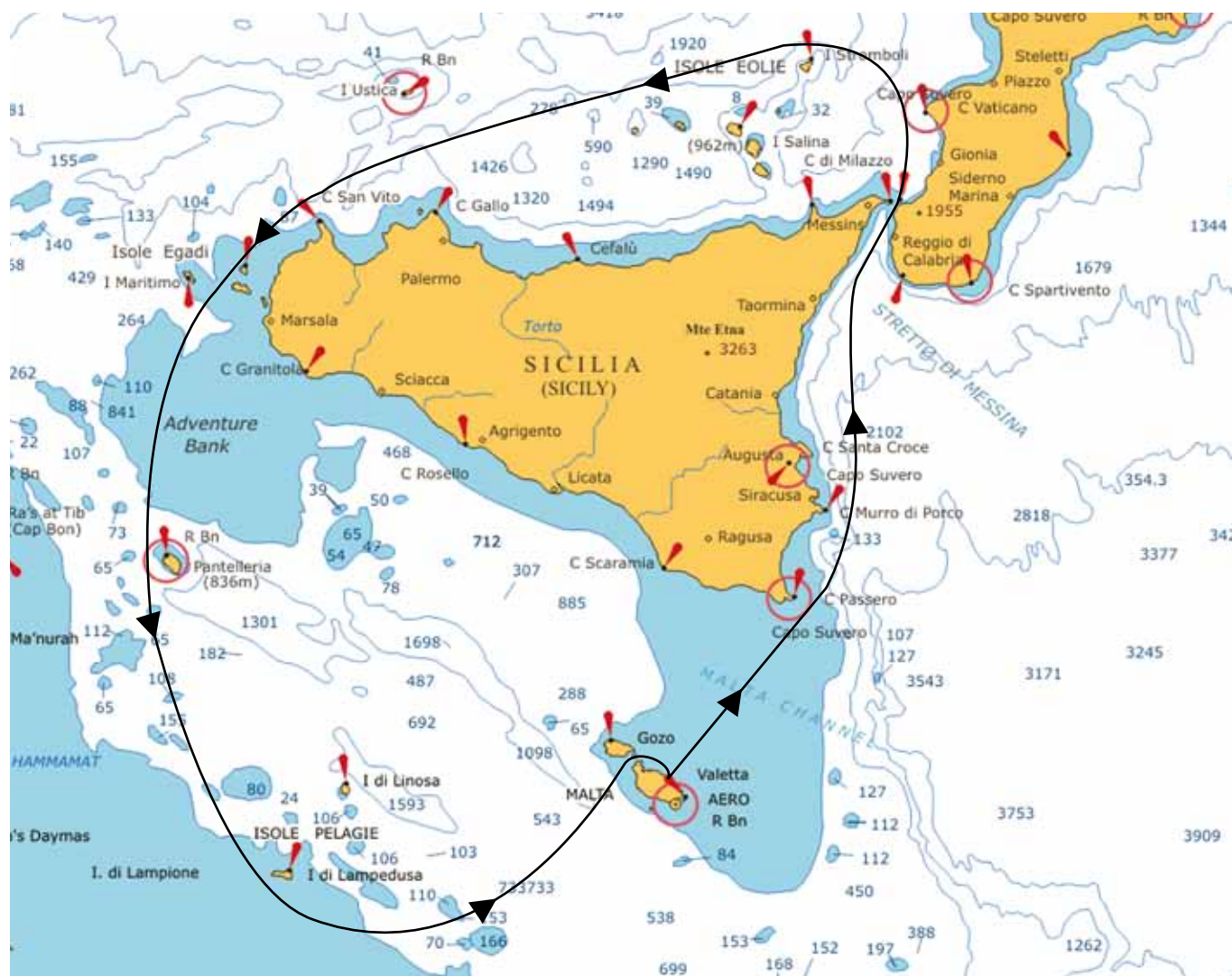
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