



ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB



CITADEL MARZAMEMI REGATTA 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

GENERAL

- 1 The Citadel Marzamemi Regatta 2017 is being organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club. The Races will be held between Friday 28th April and Monday 1st May 2017.**

2 RULES

- 2.1 The races will be governed by the following rules and regulations:
 - 2.1.1 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
 - 2.1.2 IRC Rules and Regulations 2017.
 - 2.1.3 WS Offshore Special Regulations 2016-2017 (Cat.3) + Life Raft.
 - 2.1.4 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, International Rules for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall prevail.
 - 2.1.5 This Notice of Race.
 - 2.1.6 The Sailing instructions issued by the RMYC and any amendments thereto.
- 2.2 In the event of a conflict the Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 2.3 The sailing instructions may invoke rule changes as allowed for in WS RRS Rule 86.
- 2.4 Boats may display advertising as allowed by their classes according to WS Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display event advertising provided by the Organising Authority as provided for by WS Regulation 20.4.1.1.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The skipper of each participating boat must be a member of the RMYC or a yacht club affiliated with its MNA.
- 3.2 Boats eligible to race must hold a current and valid IRC Rating Certificate and have a minimum SSS base value of 15. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted within one week of the start of a race or series of races except as a result of a rating protest, to correct an error in a certificate or at the discretion of the racing committee, to include a genuine amendment which does not seek to gain unfair advantage contrary to the spirit of the IRC rule.

4 CLASSES

- 4.1 Boats may enter in the IRC Racer Division, IRC Cruiser Division or the Club Cruiser Class as defined in current RMYC Racing Classes 2017. Participating boats will be further split into classes by the Race Committee by TCC depending on entries. Multihulls may enter using the MOCRA

rating system. The list of boats in each class will be placed on the official notice board at the RMYC by Wednesday 26th April by not later than 17:00 hrs.

5 REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Entry forms duly completed and accompanied by the appropriate entry fee must reach the Club Secretary by end of registration on Tuesday 25th April at 19:30 hrs. Early intent of participation may be sent to the Race Committee by email to info@rmyp.org or on line at www.rmyc.org. Any boat which was not rated through the club, or has not already submitted a copy of their current IRC measurement certificate must submit a copy of their certificate with their entry.
- 5.2 The Entry fee for the whole event is €110.00. this includes berthing at Marzamemi.
- 5.3 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee; a €25.00 late entry fee will apply.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENT

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| 6.1 | Registration | Up to 25 th April, during office hours, or
25 th April between 19:00hrs and 19:30hrs at RMYC |
| | Briefing | Tuesday 25 th April at 20:00hrs at RMYC |
| | Malta – Marzamemi Race | Friday 28 th April 08:25 hrs 1 st warning signal |
| | Marzamemi – Malta Race | Monday 1 st May 10:00 hrs 1 st warning signal |
| | Prize giving | Friday 5 th May 20:00 hrs at RMYC |

7 SCORING SYSTEM

- 7.1 Races in the Citadel Marzamemi Regatta will be scored on corrected time using the IRC handicap rule.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions issued by the RMYC will be made available to registered entries at the briefing.

9 BRIEFING

- 9.1 The briefing will be held on Tuesday 25th April at RMYC at 20:00hrs. after registration. Further information may be given by VHF on channel 72, 20 minutes before each race.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 The Malta – Marzamemi & Marzamemi – Malta Races will be passage races
- 10.2 Further details regarding the course to be sailed will be given at the briefing and on VHF Ch.72, 20 minutes before the start of the race.

11 PRIZEGIVING

- 11.1 Prizes for the Citadel Marzamemi Regatta will be awarded according to the current RMYC Racing Classes in each class for Races 1 and 2 separately at a prize giving evening at RMYC to be held on Friday 4th May at 20:00 hrs.

12 BERTHING

Berthing will be made available at Marzamemi for participating boats for the nights of the 28th to 30 April. Further details will be given during the briefing.

13 SAFETY / SCRUTINEERING

- 13.1 Yacht owners are to ensure that their yacht complies with required safety standards for the race and in particular with WS Offshore special regulations 2016-2017 Category 3 + life raft. Yacht Owners in need of advice from the Club Scrutineers should contact the Club Secretary. The Race Committee may request any boat to be scrutineered before and / or after any race. All equipment necessary to comply with this requirement shall remain on board for all races in the series.

14 TRAVEL FACILITIES AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

- 14.1 Members and guests wishing to join the racing teams in Marzamemi who require information on travel and accommodation arrangements should contact the RMYC.

15 RESPONSIBILITY

- 15.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners and skippers is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 : "A yacht is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing" and Special Regulation 1.02(a) (in this Programme) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner, or owner's representative..."
- 15.2 The sponsor and/or the RMYC accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.
- 15.3 The owner and crew will be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the yacht's crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both owner and crew being excluded from future races renders a yacht liable to disqualification.
- 15.4 The Race Committee will make starting signals unless in their opinion it is manifestly unsafe for any of the yachts entered to remain in the vicinity of the starting line. Each yacht shall exercise her responsibility under RRS Fundamental Rule 4 and decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.
- 15.5 No yacht will be accepted as an entry unless its owner or his/her representative has before the start of the race signed the declaration in the entry form.
- 15.6 Crew members' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 life-saving equipment..."Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy adequate for the conditions"

For further information and details please contact the RMYC on Tel : 21 333109 or info@rmyc.org.