

Organising Authority & Venue

The Perini Navi Cup 2018 is organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) in collaboration with Perini Navi.

The regatta will take place from 19th to 22th September 2018 and the venue is the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Porto Cervo (Sardinia).

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1. The rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following:

(a) The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 and Appendix SY;

(b) The ORC Superyacht rule will be used for all Divisions;

(c) The WS Offshore Special Regulations Category 4;

(d) The Sailing Instructions including the Exhibits and the Appendices. 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.

(e) The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race in accordance with RRS 88.2(a). Any amendments prior to 19 September, 2018 will be emailed to owners whose entries have been accepted and will also be posted on the YCCS website www.yccs.com. During the regatta, amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on the Official Notice Board, on the YCCS website (www.yccs.com) and emailed to all participants to the email address provided on the entry form.

1.2 FIV Prescriptions 1, 3, 7, 8, 12 and 13 do not apply. FIV Prescriptions 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11 will apply. For Italian crews only: all Italian crews shall be FIV members and have a valid medical certificate.

1.3 English is the official language of the event. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

1.4 The Registration Nationality of a boat is indicated by the owner of the boat as set out in the entry form (FLAG section). If not indicated, the Sail Number and/ or the owner's nationality will be used.

2. Advertising

2.1 The Perini Navi Cup is an invitational event and in accordance with WS Regulation 20 Advertising Code advertising is restricted for the participants.

2.2 Boats will be required to display the Sponsor's pennant on the backstay throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of the last race and the event battleflag on the forestay throughout the same period but only while moored.

2.3 The organising authority will supply the pennants and flags at registration.

2.4 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.

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

2.6 Boats are responsible for informing advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the Porto Cervo Marina Area without written consent of the organising authority obtained before the start of the regatta.

2.7 Racing yachts may be asked by the organizing authority to display an identification number (panels) clearly on both sides of the hull. This amends RRS 77. The identification numbers shall be collected at registration.

3. Eligibility

3.1 The regatta is open to all Perini yachts with minimum LH of 75 feet.

3.2 It is at the discretion of the organising authority to invite or accept yachts of particular interest or historical significance.

4. Divisions and Classes

4.1 The Organisers will, at their sole discretion, divide the fleet into Divisions and Classes based on the number of entries, the boats' size, speed potential and performance characteristics. A notice with the preliminary breaks will be posted on the YCCS web site by 17 September, 2018.

4.2 Depending on the fleet composition, it is the intent of the race committee to have Cruiser Racer and Corinthian Spirit Divisions. The Divisions may be further divided into Classes, depending on the number of entries, size, speed potential, and performance characteristics of the yachts in each division.

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4.3 The Corinthian Spirit Class is a non-spinnaker Division A minimum of four (4) entry applications must be received by 1st August for the organising authority to provide a Class. All yachts in the Corinthian Spirit Division are required to have a current and valid ORCs certificate. All yachts shall submit their completed rating application to the ORC no later than 10 August 2018. The event organiser and ORC will assist the Corinthian Spirit Division entrants with their rating applications. If 4 entries in ORCs are not met all boats with ORCs have to request ORCs (declared certificate)

4.4 At the race committee's discretion, Divisions and Classes may sail different courses on any given day.

4.5 Not Racing Entries.

Yachts wishing to participate in the social programme of the Perini Navi Cup, but not in the racing programme, can do so by specifying in the Entry Form the nature of the entry. Not Racing entries will only need to indicate on the Entry Form the number of people attending the social activities. Their entry will not affect the racing results.

5. Entries

5.1 Entries shall be made by completing the attached Official Entry Form (Annex 1) and shall be received by the YCCS race office by 15th July, 2018.

6. Schedule

6.1 Wednesday 19 September, 2018: Registration, Measurement, Inspection and Captains' Briefing. Captains' Briefing will be held at YCCS Clubhouse at 18.00.

6.2 Dates of racing:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Programme</u>	<u>Scheduled First Signal</u>
Thursday, 20 September	Racing	11.30
Friday, 21 September	Racing	11.30
Saturday, 22 September	Racing	11.30

6.3 Prize Giving – Saturday 22 September, 2018.

6.4 Alteration of Programme:

The Organising Authority and the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the programme based on weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances.

6.5 Three races are scheduled of which one race will constitute a series.

7. Handicap certificates & measurement

7.1 A valid ORCs or ORCs certificate is required for all competitors. Certificates will be issued to the yacht by the rule authority (the Offshore Racing Congress – www.orc.org). To apply for a certificate and for additional information on the ORC Superyacht Rule, contact the ORC Office at: orcsy@orc.org. The application and fee must be received by the ORC no later than **10 August, 2018**.

7.2 All measurements required shall be submitted as part of the application process for an ORCs or ORCs certificate. The ORC will accept declared data when measurement data is not available. The ORC, at its discretion, may implement hull data from design offices and sail data from sailmakers.

7.3 Rating certificates are due to the organising authority no later than 17 September, 2018. A list of the handicaps of the boats will be posted at: www.yccs.com by 17 September, 2018.

7.4 The deadline for providing the yacht's configuration to the ORC is two weeks prior to the first scheduled race of the series (September 20th, 2018). Yacht configuration includes sails declared for the regatta. Except in the case of rating office error or (at the discretion of the ORCs Rule Authority) other errors, which change the values, no changes to yacht configuration will be accepted. In exceptional circumstances, and only at the discretion of event organisers, the deadline can be extended.

7.5 Yachts shall be available for inspection not later than 11.00 on 19 September, 2018. For yachts already in Porto Cervo, inspections may be carried out on 18 September, 2018. Yachts may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta and will be performed only by measurers approved by the organising authority.

8. Registration

8.1 The official forms will be provided by the organising authority and published on the YCCS Website www.yccs.com.

8.2 At final registration the following documents will be required:

(a) ORCs or ORCs 2018 certificate;

(b) Acceptance of the Notice of Race, photography & TV rights and third party liability as set out in the Entry Form;



(c) Declaration accepting this waiver of rights that each individual participating crew member will be required to sign;

(d) **For Italian competitors/crews/boats only:**

- FIV cards and a valid medical certification;
- Valid FIV authorization to display advertising on boat (if present)

(e) RRS-Safety Afterguard Member Compliance Form;

8.3 Without the written approval of the Race Committee whose discretion shall be full and unfettered:

- (i) boats not complying with the requirements of NoR 8.2 are not eligible for the event;
- (ii) the value of ORCs^y or ORCs^c certificates issued on 17th September, 2018 shall not be modified except as approved by the OA. Boats shall not be entitled to redress in respect of a decision of the International Jury under this paragraph (Changes RRS 62.1).

9. Sailing instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the YCCS website www.yccs.com by 17 September 2018 and available at final registration.

10. Racing area & courses

10.1 The racing area will be in North Eastern Sardinian waters. The following charts are recommended: 42 – 43 - 323 – 324 – 325 – 910, Italian charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina.

10.2 The courses to be sailed will be coastal courses laid along the coast and among the islands in the vicinity of Porto Cervo.

11. Penalty system

11.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply. The penalty will be the whole number of places (rounding 0.5 upward) nearest to 20 per cent of the number of all boats entered (except that the minimum penalty is one place).

11.2 Exoneration Penalty

(a) a boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 or RRS 31 may, after finishing the race and before the start of a related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts an Exoneration Penalty – a 30% scoring penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3 (c) (except that the minimum penalty is two places provided that does not result in a score worse than DNF). However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to withdraw.

(b) When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted:

- (i) Neither the boat nor the Jury may then revoke or remove the penalty.
- (ii) The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the Jury decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules.

11.3 Penalties for breaches of the rules, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 or 2, are at the discretion of the protest committee.

12. Scoring

The Low Point System Appendix A shall apply except that there will be no discard.

13. Moorings

13.1 Mooring free of charge will be available from 10.00 on 19 September to 10.00 on 23 September at Porto Cervo Marina or Port East provided that the entry is completed by the closing date for entries.

13.2 Moorings may or may not be available for late entries.

13.3 The cost of electricity, water charges, tenders and/or additional periods are not included in the regatta and must be paid directly to the marina office. The mooring place for any additional period (before and/or after the event) if available may be at Porto Cervo Marina or East Dock (Porto Vecchio) and different from the mooring place assigned for the event. Assignment of moorings will be based on availability of moorings and characteristics of boats.

13.4 To reserve moorings prior and after the dates indicated in par.13.1 above and for tenders, please send your mooring requirement at secretariat@yccs.it.

The YCCS race office will take care to inform the marina harbour master accordingly. For further information about the marina services and the price list please visit the Porto Cervo Marina web site: www.marinadiportocervo.it.

13.5 Local regulations require that all boats MUST inform the harbourmaster's office by radio on VHF Channel 9 when they first arrive in Porto Cervo and each time they leave or enter the harbour. When moored, it is MANDATORY for all participants to visit the harbourmaster's office to finalize their registration procedures.



13.6 Diving in the harbour is forbidden. Only the harbour master's divers, available on VHF Channel 9, are authorised to dive inside the harbour.

14. Communications and electronic aids

14.1 Boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver operating on VHF8,9,16&72.

14.2 All types of electronic aids, including radar, VOR, satellite, AIS, etc., are permitted. No external aids, outside assistance or information may be used during the races, except weather forecast information.

14.3 Boat to boat communication is allowed and encouraged to allow the safest possible navigation during the regatta and one dedicated VHF channel will be used for this purpose.

14.4 Yachts equipped with Automatic Identification System (AIS) are required to operate their AIS system from the time they approach the starting area until departing the finishing area following the race.

15. Safety

15.1 The organiser takes a proactive stance on enforcing safety and sportsmanship. Safe racing is the responsibility of everyone involved in Superyacht regattas. The Superyacht Safety Protocol within the Sailing Instructions stresses the concept that the priority is on safety and prudent seamanship, not competitive advantage.

15.2 The yachts' Racing Tacticians and RRS-Safety Afterguard Member are expected to meet immediately following the racing to discuss and resolve any minor issues pertaining to competitive advantage, safety or sportsmanship.

16. RRS -safety afterguard member compliance

16.1 Each yacht shall ensure that at least one afterguard member is familiar with the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and has a thorough understanding of the RRS and the Appendix SY. The captain will submit the compliance form (page 2 of SI's Exhibit 2) with information on the designated RRS-Safety Afterguard Member and the Communications Officer in advance, no later than 20th August, 2018. Exhibit 2 can be found on the YCCS website www.yccs.com, and will be distributed to all captains via email.

16.2 The organising authority will review all compliance forms prior to 9th September, 2018 and communicate any concerns or issues to the captain.

16.3 The captain will designate a communications officer who will monitor and communicate on the VHF safety channel. It is recommended that this individual have experience with radio protocol and experience with and an understanding of the RRS and Appendix SY.

16.4 The captain will determine what crew position the RRS-Safety Afterguard Member assumes (tactician, helmsman, navigator, strategist, etc.). The designated RRS-Safety Afterguard Member may assume the position of Communications Officer.

16.5 The RRS-Safety Afterguard Member shall attend all pre-race briefings and will be responsible for ensuring the Daily Declaration Form is returned to the race office as soon as practicable following racing each day, but no later than two hours after finishing.

17. Protest Committee

Protests will be heard by an International Protest Committee.

18. Trophies and prizes

18.1 The Perini Navi Cup will be awarded to best overall scored boats. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd classified boats. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd classified boats of each race day. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the O. A.

19. Insurance

As stated in details on the entry form.

20. Disclaimer

As stated in details on the entry form.

21. Media rights

As stated in details on the entry form.

22. Social events

The social programme will be available at www.yccs.com by 19th September, 2018 and at registration.

23. Press office

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



Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Press Office

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24. Racing enquiries

For all racing enquiries please contact:

YCCS Race Office

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For **contact details** and **further information** visit the event website: www.yccs.com.

The regatta also adheres to the ethical code of conduct established in the Charta Smeralda.

About the Perini Navi Cup

The fifth edition of the Perini Navi Cup, another key event on the YCCS sporting calendar, will take place from 19th to 22nd September. Created by the world-class shipbuilder known for its cutting-edge superyachts, the Perini Navi craft will compete on coastal courses against the unique backdrop of the La Maddalena archipelago. Owners and crews will experience the usual four intense days, in which adrenalin-charged racing is followed by exclusive social events ashore.

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