

## Yates Mallorca Cup 2020

# Racing Rules

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1. **The Yates Mallorca Cup will be sailed under the 2017-2020 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing and the Racing Rules below. In case of any discrepancies the Racing Rules below will apply. All yachts will be rated with a time compensation system.**
2. **Classes and Participation**
  - 2.1 The first 1 to 4 races can be qualification races, where all classes start together.
  - 2.2 The racing committee has the right to announce the results of the first races after the qualifying races have finished. After these first qualifying races the yachts can be divided into the following classes.
  - 2.3 The 1st. half of the ranking will be classified into the „Gold fleet“, which will sail to win the Yates Mallorca Cup.
  - 2.4 The 2nd half of the ranking will be classified into the „Silver fleet“, which will sail to win the Silver Fleet Cup.
  - 2.5 The racing committee has the right to let all yachts start together in one class, or change the relation of number of yachts in each class (changing thus points 2.2. to 2.4)
3. **Signals**
  - 3.1 Port Signal: The captains, or a representative, must attend the skippers briefing before the start of the races. In Palma at the racing office, in Cabrera by VHF. The time will be announced the day before and published on the racing pin board.
  - 3.2 All Starts will be signalled from the yacht of the racing committee. Except if told otherwise at the skippers briefing. Usually the „Gold Fleet“ starts first.
  - 3.3 Changing Rule 26 (ISAF 2017-2020 RRS) fleets will start according to the following:
    - 3.3.1 Warning Signal: 10 minutes before the start: Flag Nr. 4 is set, together with an accoustic signal (horn)
    - 3.3.2 Preparatory Signal: 5 minutes before the start: Flag P, I, Z, Z with I, U or a black flag is set, together with an accoustic signal (horn)
    - 3.3.3 1 minute before Start: Will be signalled by removing the Preparatory Signal, together with an accoustic signal (horn)
    - 3.3.4 Start: The Start is signalled by removing Flag Nr. 4, together with an accoustic signal (horn)  
If an accoustic signal is not heard, what counts is the visual signals (Flags)
  - 3.4. Individual Recall (Rule 29.1 of ISAF 2017-2020 RRS): When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or she must comply with rule 30.1, the Race Committee shall promptly display flag X with an accoustic signal. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats have sailed completely to the pre-start side of the starting line or one of its extensions and have complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, but no later than four minutes after the starting signal or one minute before any later starting signal, whichever is earlier. If rule 30.3 or 30.4 applies this rule does not. (The early starters will not be called by VHF)
  - 3.5. General Recall (Rule 29.2 of ISAF 2017-2020 RRS): When at the starting signal the Race Committee is unable to identify boats that are on the course side of the starting line or there has been an error in the starting procedure, the Race Committee may signal a general recall as in Rule 29.2 (display the First Substitute with accoustic signal). The warning signal for a new start for the recalled class shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed, and the starts for any succeeding classes shall follow the new start procedure above. The Silver Fleet must wait until the Gold Fleet has started.
  - 3.6 The yacht which fails to comply with rule 3.5 receives a penalty of number of participating yachts + 1.  
At a long distance race a penalty of 25% of the sailed time.
4. **Results:**

The Low- Point System according to the ISAF, RRS will be applied.
5. **Tie:**

If two or more yachts have the same score, then the one wins, which has sailed the most 1st places, then the most 2nd places and so on. If no winner can be determined, then the yacht which has sailed the better position in the last race of the Yates Mallorca Cup wins.
6. **Committee boat at finishing line:**

The yacht at finishing line does not display a blue flag.  
If weather conditions and other circumstances make it necessary, the finishing line can also be formed by a landmark on which a red flag is displayed or which was precisely been defined at the skipper briefing or by VHF radio.
7. **Liability:**

All participants of the Yates Mallorca Cup participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.  
Yates Mallorca, the Racing Committee, as well as other Persons involved in the organisation of the event will not accept any liability sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
8. **Change of the sailing instructions:**

Should there be any changes to the sailing instructions, they will be communicated to the participants directly or posted on the racing pin board.

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#### **9. Penalties at the time of an incident**

- 9.1 In contrary to rule number 44.1 of ISAF 2017-2020 RRS (were two complete turns for penalty apply) we penalise with a single complete turn (360°).
- 9.2 A yacht that does not carry out a penalty according to WR Rule 44.1 can accept a time penalty of 20% on the corrected time (after SRS conversion) instead of a protest hearing. This in amendment of Rules 44.3 (c) and A4.2. of the ISAF 2017-2020 RRS.

#### **10. Protests**

- 10.1 Protest must be filed with a protest form according to the ISAF 2017-2020 RRS.
- 10.2 The racing committee assigns a protest committee.
- 10.3 The racing committee can call for an amount of money to be deposited when filing a protest. This amount will be communicated at the 1st Skipper Briefing.
- 10.4 There shall be no appeal from the decisions of an international jury constituted in compliance with rule 70.5 of the ISAF RRS.

#### **11. Prizes:**

- 11.1 After the races there will be prize giving ceremonies with prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd classified of each class. There are no prizes for the qualification races at the beginng.
- 11.2 When various races are sailed during a day, the Race Committee can decide (depending on various circumstances) which race or races apply for the overall result.
- 12. If the weather or other circumstances do not allow the announced courses to be sailed, the Race Committee may choose other courses and starting times, which will be announced at the daily skipper briefings.
- 13. The racing committee can shorten or prolong any race, if circumstances require, and create a different destination by specifying the position. Likewise, further starts can take place, with the times of the races sailed on the same day being added together for a daily evaluation or evaluated individually as a unit and for the overall ranking. Also, if the circumstances make it advisable, and without justification, the closing time can be shortened or extended.
- 14. The scores of the qualification races can be included in the overall results.
- 15. **Exclusion of scores:** The racing committee is entitled to exclude one score if 6 or more races are held and to exclude two Scores if 8 or more races are held..
- 16. The engine must be switched off 5 minutes before the start. It may only be used in an absolute emergency, stating the time and location to the racing committee
- 17. The last start on the last day of racing is carried the latest at 15:00h local time.