

MELGES 32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2011



NOTICE OF RACE

PALMA DE MALLORCA, SPAIN

20-24 SEPTEMBER 2011

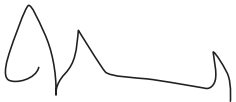


On behalf of the International Melges 32 Class Association it is with great pleasure and excitement that I invite you to Palma de Mallorca, Spain for the third Melges 32 World Championship, hosted by one of Europe's finest sailing organizations — Real Club Nautico de Palma. It is yet another personal favorite racing venue of mine and excudes sheer elegance. With this in mind, the Melges 32 Class is extremely proud to conduct the 2011 World Championship in Palma.

In addition to exquisite surroundings, beautiful waters and premium yachting conditions, Real Club Nautico de Palma also guarantees world class regatta management, on and off the water.

We very much encourage you to compete and enjoy all that high performance one design racing has to offer at the Melges 32 World Championship in Palma this September.

Sincerely,



Jeff Ecklund

International Melges 32 Class President



JEFF ECKLUND

International Melges 32 Class President



WELCOME TO THE MELGES 32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Be welcome to the Real Club Náutico de Palma! One of the most important nautical institutions of the Spanish coast. In our 63 years of history, we are proud to have always been recognised by our sports activity in all kind of open or closed water sports, from our dinghy beginners to Olympic sailors, with our emerging cruising and one design fleets, to our kayak competition team.

This year, the RCNP enters a new chapter in its history, together with the firm Camper and the Emirates Team New Zealand having introduced us, for the time, to the oceanic regatta experience with the participation of the VOR 70 Camper in the Volvo Ocean Race.

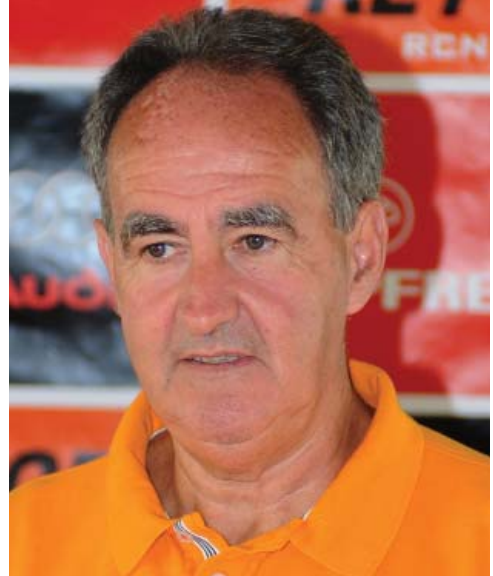
After this brief introduction of our yacht club as an renowned sports club without forgetting it's strong altruistic position, I know would like to express my warmest welcome to the Melges 32 fleet whose World Championship now returns to Europe, this year proudly organised by the Real Club Náutico de Palma. The city of Palma and our club is pleased and honoured to have been chosen amongst the other candidates to hold this event.

I am confident that we will all enjoy a good regatta; both out on the water (as the weather conditions will support us for sure) and back on land, where we hope to satisfy you with nice social events, especially prepared for the occasion.

Therefore, on behalf of the president of this yacht club, we welcome you once more to our yacht club, to Palma and to the Balearic Islands.

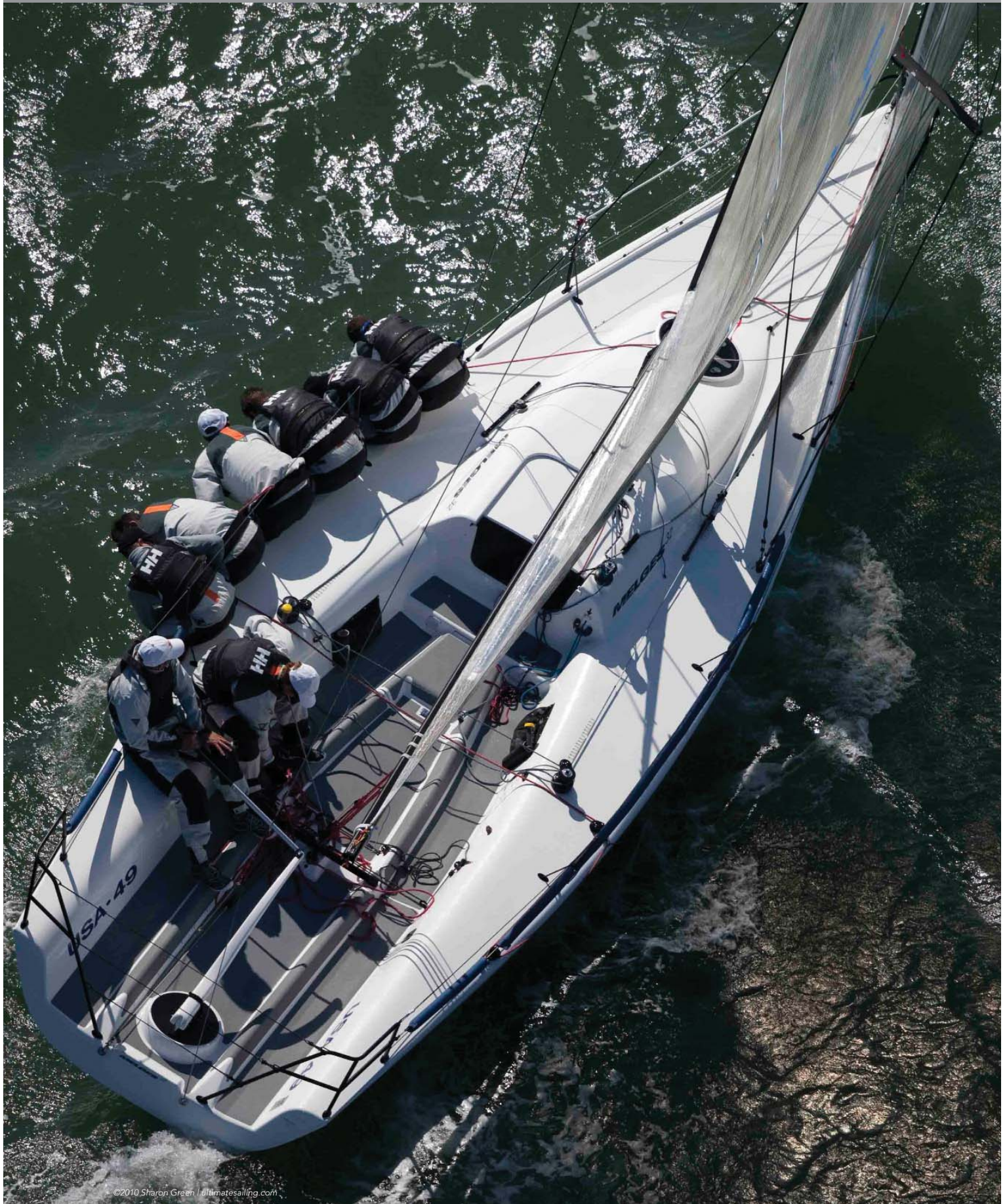
Sr. D. Javier Sanz Fernandez

President of the Organising Committee
Real Club Nautico de Palma



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President of the Organising Committee



1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Real Club Nautico de Palma (RCNP) is the Organizing Authority (OA) and the Royal Spanish Federation (RFEV) in cooperation with the International Melges 32 Class Association (IM32CA).

2. HEADQUARTERS

The 2011 Melges 32 World Championship headquarters will be located at:

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3. RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012* and the International Melges 32 Class Rules (including Section I), except as altered by this Notice of Race (NOR) and subsequent Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 3.2 The "class rules" for the purposes of the definition of "rules" are the International Melges 32 Class Rules (IM32CR).
- 3.3 Where there is a conflict between this NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 3.4 The prescriptions of the RFEV to the RSS will not apply.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1 IM32CR C.8. ADVERTISING shall apply.
- 4.2 In IM32CR C.8.1, the reference to RRS 79 is changed to RRS 80 to conform to the RRS
- 4.3 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority, if provided flags and decals shall be displayed beginning Friday, September 16 through Saturday, September 24.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The event is open to all boats of the International Melges 32 Class that meet the obligations of the Class Rules.
- 5.2 IM32CR Section C.9 MEMBERSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY, and all subsections shall apply.
- 5.3 All Melges 32s competing shall race with International Melges 32 Class Association Bow Numbers affixed as instructed in IM32CA Bow Number Policies and Procedures.
- 5.4 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 32 Class Rules. As per Class Rule C.9.5, IM32CA delegated to a Classification Code Committee the authority in determining a competitor's status within the spirit of the class rules. A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks.

- 5.5 Each entrant shall submit a completed Entry Form by registering online via the link at the IM32CA website: melges32.com and pay the entry fee no later than Monday, September 5, 2011. Original signatures shall be provided at registration. Late entries will be accepted only with the prior approval of the Organizing Authority and IM32CA.
- 5.6 No later than Monday, September 5, 2011 each entry is required to submit an online Crew Declaration (<http://www.melges32.com/forms/crew-declaration.php>) to the IM32CA Administrator.
- 5.7 All entrants are required to provide the IM32CA Administrator with a completed Sail Declaration, Owner Compliance Declaration Form and Regatta Disclaimer Form before the close of registration on Monday, September 19, 2011.
- 5.8 No entries will be accepted after Monday, September 5, 2011.

6. CLASSIFICATION

- 6.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code 22 shall apply. Details of the ISAF Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on ISAF's website at sailing.org/classification.
- 6.2 No later than Monday, September 5, 2011 each entry is required to submit an online Crew Declaration (<http://www.melges32.com/forms/crew-declaration.php>) to the IM32CA Administrator. The form shall include ISAF ID. No.'s, Group Classifications and expiration dates for each participating crew member.
- 6.3 All submitted Crew Declarations will be posted online at www.melges32.com.
- 6.4 Classification protests may be submitted to the IM32CA beginning, Monday, September 5. The Classification Protest Time Limit under ISAF Regulation 22.1 is 1800 Friday, September 16.
- 6.5 A boat will not be eligible to race until all crew classifications have been checked for compliance.
- 6.6 A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission may be present during registration and may carry out spot checks.

7. REGISTRATION

- 7.1 To complete registration, all entrants shall complete registration online, have submitted all required class forms, paid all entry fees and submitted a completed Entry Form and Signed Release Agreement with original signature.
- 7.2 Only boats that have completed registration by 1630 hours on Monday, September 19, 2011 will be eligible to race. Late registration may be allowed only with the prior approval of the OA and the IM32CA.

7.3 RCNP Wire Coordinates to be notified to the owners specifying the correspondent fees of 1200 Euros.

8. FEES

- 8.1 The entry fee is **1,200 Euros/\$1,700 USD** and includes launching and hauling at designated times, berthing, trailer storage, and (1) car per yacht in designated areas throughout the event from Friday, September 16 to Sunday, September 25.
- 8.2 All boats preceding hull No. 196 will be assessed an additional one-time, \$355 USD ISAF plaque fee.
- 8.3 Entry will not be valid until payment is received and all required documents are submitted.

9. REGATTA SCHEDULE

Friday, 16th September

Registration.....10.00 – 18.00
 Crew Weigh-in, Measurements Checks

Pre-Worlds

Saturday, 17th September

Registration.....10.00 – 18.00
 Crew Weigh-in, Measurements Checks
 Pre-Worlds I Practice Race13.00

Sunday, 18th September

Registration.....10.00 – 18.00
Crew Weigh-in, Measurements Checks
Pre-Worlds I Practice Race14.00

Worlds

Monday, 19th September

Late Registration09.00 – 16.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 Skipper’s Briefing.....17.30
 Opening Ceremony18.00

Tuesday, 20th September

Substitute Crew Weigh-In Period08.30 – 09.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 First Warning Signal12.00
 Social At RCNPAfter Racing

Wednesday, 21st September

Substitute Crew Weigh-In Period08.30 – 09.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 First Warning Signal12.00
 Social At RCNPAfter Racing

Thursday, 22nd September

Substitute Crew Weigh-In Period08.30 – 09.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 First Warning Signal12.00
 Social At RCNPAfter Racing

Friday, 23rd September

Substitute Crew Weigh-In Period08.30 – 09.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 First Warning Signal12.00
 Regatta Dinner & Party at RCNPAfter Racing

Saturday, 24th September

Substitute Crew Weigh-In Period08.30 – 09.30
 Crew Weigh-In, Measurement Checks
 First Warning Signal12.00
 No Initial Warning Signal After15.30
 Closing Ceremony & Awards at RCNPAfter Racing

- 9.1 Ten (10) races are scheduled: The Race Committee (RC) may run fewer races at its discretion and may make up a race on any day, if needed.

10. MEASUREMENTS

- 10.1 All competitors should observe class measurements rules.
- 10.2 All crew weight must be checked before 1630 hours on Monday, September 19. There will be no re-weigh checks during the championship. Crews can weigh in at any of the times listed in NOR #9 (Schedule of Events) to meet this requirement.
- 10.3 The OA and/or Class Association representative may weigh, measure, or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails before, during, or after the races.
- 10.4 There will be the following measurement checks:
 - Sail Measurement
 - Lifeline
 - Random Measurement Checks
 - Corrector Weight
 - Safety Equipment
 - Mast Cylinder
- 10.5 Chartered or loaned boats may display national letters and sail numbers in contravention of class rules.

11. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

- 11.1 Crew substitutions before and during the event are permitted with the prior written approval of the class representative and the Race Committee.
- 11.2 A revised crew list must be submitted to the IM32CA for approval prior to the race to which it applies.
- 11.3 Crew substitutions may weigh-in during the designated Substitute Crew Weigh-in Period. Weigh-in must be completed before 0930 on the first day that the substitute will compete.

12. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SIs will be available after 10.00 hours on Friday, September 16 at Registration and online.

13. VENUE I RACING AREA

The racing area will be Palma Bay.

14. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be a Windward/Leeward configuration.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Except in the three-length zone of a rounding mark, Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. In the three-length zone of a rounding mark, the Two-Turns Penalty shall apply.
- 15.2 The penalty, if any, for a violation of a rule other than a rule of RRS Part 2 will be at the ..discretion of the jury and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1(a).
- 15.3 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

16. PROTESTS AND ARBITRATION

- 16.1 Any boat that files a protest will be required to have the owner/helmsman present as its representative throughout the entire protest. Other persons may be called as witnesses.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 In accordance with IM32CA Rule H.3., the Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with the following modification: when fewer than six races have ..been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores; when six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.2 Up to ten (10) races may be held.
A maximum of three (3) races may be held on any racing day.
- 17.3 Four (4) races are needed for the regatta to be scored as the Melges 32 World Championship.

18. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 18.1 Restrictions on Support Boats shall apply as described in IM32CR I.5 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE.
- 18.2 Only support boats that have registered with the RC and carry identification provided by the RC will be allowed in the racing area.
- 18.3 Coach and support boats shall keep clear of the racing area at all times during racing. Any coach or support boat that interferes with the racing in any way, including creating excess wash or hindering an official boat carrying out its duties, shall cause their affiliated boat(s) to be liable for a penalty at the discretion of the Jury.

19. PRESS AND OFFICIAL SPECTATOR BOATS

- 19.1 All press and official spectator boats shall be registered with the OA during Check-in.
- 19.2 Press and spectator boats shall not interfere with the racing in any way and shall stay at a distance outside the race course where their wake causes no problem.
- 19.3 The OA may appoint one or more photo boats, which will be allowed within the race course. The position of these boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 19.4 Press and spectator boats may be required to display a flag, or other identification symbol as may be required by the OA.

20. MOORING

- 20.1 Boats whose registration has been confirmed for this regatta will have a mooring reserved, free of charge, from 12.00 h of the 16th September, till 12.00 h of the 25th of September 2011.
- 20.2 The moorings will be occupied under the full responsibility of the skipper of each yacht. The previous and later dates before mentioned will be at expenses for the Owner or Skipper of each yacht.

21. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 21.1 All competing boats shall be afloat at RCNP by 16.30 on Monday, September 19.
- 21.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the Championship, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee
- 21.3 The OA may impose haul-out restrictions.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 22.1 During the starting procedure, in addition to sound and flag signals, the Race Committee may use VHF 72 channel to call out OCS sail numbers or bow numbers. The use of VHF radio communication, or failure to do so, by the Race Committee, shall not be considered a valid reason for protest or request of redress in any case. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 22.2 A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

23. PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded based on participation.
- 23.2 The overall winner will receive the Melges 32 World Championship Trophy.
- 23.3 Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the OA.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers include the OA, Race Committee, Jury, RCNP, RFEV, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official who will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shore side or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

25. INSURANCE

25.1 Boat Insurance Each participating boat shall be insured with valid insurance policy covering liability arising from negligence and damage to third parties while racing, for the amount of 600.000 Euros. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

25.2 Sailor Insurance: Spanish sailors or a sailor officially living in Spain or a sailor racing on boat affiliated to a Spanish Club, are required to have the 2011 competitor's license issued by the Spanish Sailing Federation. The foreign sailors who do not have a sailing federation license or an athletes medical insurance with accidents coverage, will have to prove to own an accidents and illness insurance valid in Spain.

26. CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE

The organization reserves itself the right to change this Notice of Race. Any change made to this Notice of Race prior to the 19th of September 2011, will be adequately published (88.2 RRS) on the event's website, www.rcnp.es.

27. MEDIA RIGHTS

The Media Rights belong exclusively to the RCNP, to the RFEV and to the IM32CA, and can be shared with the sponsors of these bodies.

Competitors grant the event's Sponsors and OA the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published or broadcasted in any media whatsoever (included press, TV advertisements or Internet) for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information, in this respect competitors' name and biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

The participants are not allowed any act of reproduction, public communication or any distribution of images of the race without previous authorization from the Real Club Náutico de Palma, the Real Federación Española de Vela or the IM32CA.

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

28. FURTHER INFORMATION

Organizing Authority

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Andres Manuel Perez Alvarez
Ricardo Garcia Soriano
Helmut Jakobowitz

Chris Watts

Patrick Harris (Secretary)

ISAF Representative

Antony Matush

Principle Race Officer

Gaspar Morey Castello

28. MEDIA CONTACTS

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

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MELGES 32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP VENUES

2012 – September 25-29 | New York Yacht Club | Newport, R.I.



DUE : 19 SEPTEMBER 2011



SAIL DECLARATION FORM

SAIL	DESCRIPTION (YEAR/SAILMAKER)	BUTTON NO.	SAIL SERIAL NO.
Mainsail	.....	.....	.....
Jib 1	.....	.....	.....
Jib 2	.....	.....	.....
Jib 3	.....	.....	.....
Spinnaker	Asymmetrical .....	.....	.....
Spinnaker	Asymmetrical .....	.....	.....

I declare that only the above listed sails comply with the International Melges 32 Class Rules and carry the designated sail buttons required for competition. They will be used for the regatta series named below. This class sail declaration must be submitted to the International Melges 32 Class Association by registration at the start of any Melges 32 event.

Regatta Hull Number

Yacht Name Sail Number

Signed — Owner(s) Representative Date

Approved — Class Representative Date

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DUE : 19 SEPTEMBER 2011



YACHT OWNER COMPLIANCE DECLARATION

The following hereby agree that they have fully read the Melges 32 Class Rules and that to the best of their knowledge their boat complies with these Class Rules for the event. The undersigned also agree to abide by these Class Rules while racing.

Owner 1
Signature

Owner 2
Signature

Owner 3
Signature

Tactician
Signature

Boat Captain
Signature

Boat Name
Date

Approved — Class Representative
Date

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REGATTA DISCLAIMER

DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to be bound by International Sailing Federations Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their yacht, the rigging, the crew's ability, and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons or their belongings, to themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility the Organizing Authority and all person involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behavior and address of the yacht's crew, representatives and the guests.

Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF Part1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

For acceptance of the Notice of Race rules and the regulations quoted in it:

NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

PHOTOGRAPHS & RIGHTS

Competitors hereby grant to the Organizing Authority, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information, in the respect, competitor's name and biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS COMMITMENTS, I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND SIGN IT OF MY FREE WILL.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

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