

# THE SUPERYACHT CUP PALMA JUNE 20th – 23rd 2018

## SPECTATOR GUIDANCE FOR BOATS AND RIBS

We welcome supporters and guests of The Superyacht Cup to watch the racing but we ask you to please read and follow the guidelines below. The participating yachts are big, fast, difficult to maneuver and very powerful **ALWAYS KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE AWAY.**

**On June 20<sup>th</sup> only the J class (two yachts) will be racing, the majority of the superyachts will also be out practicing.**

June 21, 22 and 23 all yachts will be racing on the same course in the Bay of Palma

The **Superyacht Fleet comprises** 16/17 yachts split into three classes, Class A, B and C. There will be staggered start sequence at two-minute intervals. The order of starting the classes may change from day to day.

The schedule time for the first starting signal is 13.00 however this may change according to weather conditions, time change announcements will be made on **RACE COMMUNICATIONS CHANNEL 73**

### Courses

**On June 20<sup>th</sup> the course will be windward leeward in an area close to the start/finish area.**

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday the courses will be not selected until the morning of the race and depend on conditions. **Courses will be announced on the VHF on channel 73.** \*Please note this is the Race Communications Channel Only and must not be used by spectator vessels.

### SAFETY INFORMATION

1. Please approach sailing yachts from behind or to one side but NOT forward of the beam.
2. Please watch for signals from the yachts crew who may ask you to move away for an impending maneuver, they can change direction and speed very quickly and you need to anticipate their move to clear out of the way.
3. Some of the superyachts will have a dedicated SAFETY RIB, please follow any instructions they give you.
4. Please be aware when you are following one boat another could be close behind or closing on a different angle, make sure you keep a complete look out at all times.
5. Please be aware of and respect all other spectator boats around you
6. We recommend that all spectators wear lifejackets, the stern waves and wake from other RIB's can be quite large.

### START

The yachts need space to maneuver at full speed in the start sequence (prior to the start signal). **Please keep to safe areas well outside of the yachts starting area and clear of all marks of the course.**

## MARK ROUNDING

- Allow plenty of distance for yachts to round the mark (minimum of 100m)
- Do not go below the marks as the yachts may gybe to port or starboard
- Do not cross in front of any yachts at any time

## THE SAFETY OF THE CREW AND PASSENGERS ON SPECTATOR BOATS IS SOLEY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SKIPPER ON EACH BOAT

Please also familiarize yourself with local navigation, speeding restrictions and harbour byelaw requirements

