



2026 MAXI SAILING PROGRAMME

IMA PROGRAMME EVENTS:

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RORC & IMA Transatlantic Race (Lanzarote to Antigua)	11 January (start)
RORC Caribbean 600 RORC Nelson's Cup Series (inshore) Antigua 360 Race RORC Caribbean 600 offshore (Antigua to Antigua via Barbuda, St Kitts and Nevis, Saba, St Barth, St Maarten, Tintamare, Guadeloupe, La Désirade, Barbuda and Redonda)	17 – 19 February 20 February 23 February (start)
PalmaVela La Larga (PalmaVela offshore race) <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Balearic Islands, Spain)	24 April (Start)
PalmaVela (inshores) <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> (Palma de Mallorca, Spain)	30 April - 3 May
IMA Maxi European Championship Regata dei Tre Golfi <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Naples, Italy)	22 May (start)
IMA Maxi European Championship (inshores) <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> (Sorrento, Italy)	25 - 28 May

<p>151 Miglia - Trofeo Cetilar <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Livorno to Punta Ala, Italy)</p>	30 May (start)
<p>Loro Piana Giraglia Inshores: Saint-Tropez, France <i>Part of the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> Offshore: Saint-Tropez-Giraglia-Genoa <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i></p>	13 - 16 June 17 June (start)
<p>Aegean 600 <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Start and finish in Sounio, Greece)</p>	5 July (start)
<p>Copa del Rey MAPFRE <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> (Palma de Mallorca, Spain)</p>	1 – 8 August
<p>Palermo – Montecarlo <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Palermo, Italy, to Monaco MC)</p>	18 August (start)
<p>Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> (Porto Cervo, Italy)</p>	6 - 12 September
<p>Les Voiles de Saint-Tropez <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026</i> (Saint-Tropez, France)</p>	26 Septembre – 3 Octobre
<p>Rolex Middle Sea Race <i>Part of IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025-26</i> (Start and finish in Velletra, Malta)</p>	17 October (start)

IMA AFFILIATED EVENTS:

Barcolana (Trieste, Italy)	11 October (start)
Venice Hospitality Challenge (Venice, Italy)	17 October (start)

IMA MAXI CHALLENGES FOR 2026

IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge 2025/2026

best 3 of 7 races, comprising:

- Rolex Middle Sea Race, Valletta to Valletta (Malta) 2025
- La Larga, Balearic islands, (Spain) 2026
- Regata dei Tre Golfi, Naples to Naples (Italy) 2026
- 151 Miglia, Trofeo Cetilar, Livorno to Punta Ala (Italy) 2026
- Loro Piana Giraglia, offshore race: Saint-Tropez to Genoa (France & Italy) 2026
- Aegean 600: start and finish off Sounio (Greece), 2026
- Palermo-Montecarlo, Palermo (Italy) to Montecarlo, 2026



IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge 2026

best 3 of 6 (which must include MYRC), comprising:

- PalmaVela, Palma de Mallorca (Spain)
- IMA Maxi European Championship inshore series, Sorrento (Italy)
- Loro Piana Giraglia inshore series, Saint-Tropez (France)
- Copa del Rey MAPFRE, Palma de Mallorca (Spain)
- Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup (MYRC), Porto Cervo (Italy) - *MANDATORY*
- Les Voiles de Saint-Tropez, Saint Tropez (France)



IMA Australian Maxi Championship 2026

must include all of:

- Australian Maxi Championship
(including Cabbage Tree Island Race, passage races and SOLAS Big Boat Challenge)
- Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race

Notes on IMA Challenges:

- Only IMA Members are eligible for the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore and Inshore Challenge trophies.
- For the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Inshore Challenge, the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup is compulsory and will have a higher scoring co-efficient.
- If more than the minimum number of events required are sailed for each Challenge, the worst result will be discarded.
- A Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of each of the Challenges at the end of the season.