



Addendum A to the 2021 Notice of Race

Junior Yacht and Sailor Eligibility

This Addendum to the NoR and SIs provides information specific to entry and participation of Junior Sailors and Junior Yachts. Attention is specifically called to NoR 11 and to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

1. COERA offers a casual and informal racing environment for all participants, encouraging participation, learning and fun. COERA recognizes that some additional requirements are necessary with regard to juniors, but wishes to keep these to a minimum to avoid creating an undue barrier to participation.
2. A Junior Yacht shall be entered by a recognized Yacht Club or Sailing Program that is a member organization of the YRA of LIS. If the Yacht Club is a member of COERA and has paid its annual dues, one Junior Yacht shall be eligible for entry at no additional cost (see NoR 2.7).
3. Junior sailors shall be 18 years old or younger.
4. Junior yachts should be predominantly sailed by junior sailors, who shall actively participate in operating the boat in ways appropriate to their respective experience and ability. Wherever possible, junior sailors shall assume responsible roles such as helm, tactics, sail trim and navigation that provide them with the opportunity to develop their sailing skills.
5. The entering Yacht Club or Sailing Program shall:
 - a. Ensure that the yacht is adequately equipped and maintained, including all required safety equipment and insurance.
 - b. Ensure that appropriate Owner's Representatives and advisors are on board, capable of teaching, coaching and taking command of the boat in an emergency.

- c. Set any other guidelines it may deem appropriate for participation by its junior members, such as minimum age, training, Safety at Sea participation, etc.
- 6. The following shall apply to all Junior Yachts qualified under this addendum, and shall not be limited by the rules of any class.
 - a. Any junior sailor shall be eligible to serve as a helmsman
 - b. Any adult may serve as helmsman, but shall be subject to applicable class rules if such are specified in the SIs
 - c. Adult advisors may include one or more paid instructors from the club's or organization's junior sailing program.
- 7. COERA will present The Junior Trophy to the qualifying Junior Yacht that has the best performance in its division.
- 8. Nothing in this Addendum shall be interpreted to preclude a junior sailor from crewing aboard any entered (non-junior) yacht.